

Amend **HB 23** on third reading as follows:

(1) Strike the last sentence of SECTION 23 (page 16, line 9 through line 16, and substitute the following:

"The governor shall appoint as new members at least three persons who:

(1) have never been employed by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; and

(2) were serving on the Board of Pardons and Paroles on May 1, 2003 or on that date had been nominated for board membership and were awaiting confirmation.

(2) Add an appropriately numbered SECTION to read as follows:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. It is the intent of the legislature that members serving on the Board of Pardons and Paroles on May 1, 2003, be offered the first opportunity to be hired as parole commissioners employed under Chapter 508, Government Code, as amended by this Act.