

BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 1120
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County Affairs
Committee Report (Amended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Current Texas law requires the board of directors (board) of the Montgomery Hospital District to order an election to dissolve the district if the board receives a petition requesting an election that is signed by 15 percent of the registered voters in the district. As proposed, S.B. 1120 requires the board to order an election if the board receives a petition signed by a number of voters equal to 15 percent of the total vote received by all candidates for governor in the most recent gubernatorial general election.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 23B(a), Chapter 258, Acts of the 65th Legislature, Regular Session, 1977, as follows:

- (a) Requires the board of directors to order an election on the question of dissolving the district and disposing of the district's assets and obligations if the board of directors receives a petition requesting an election that is signed by a number of residents of the district equal to at least 15 percent of the total vote received by all candidates for governor in the most recent gubernatorial general election in the district that occurs more than 30 days before the date the petition is submitted to the board.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2003.

Makes application of this Act prospective.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Effective date: September 1, 2003.

EXPLANATION OF AMENDMENTS

Amendment #1 modifies Section 2 of the original bill, by changing the effective date from September 1, 2003 to September 1, 2004.