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H.B. No. 699

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the election of school district trustees from
3 single-member districts.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 11.052(a), Education Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), the board of
8 trustees of an independent school district, on its own motion, may
9 order that trustees of the district are to be elected from
10 single-member trustee districts or that not fewer than 50 [~~70~~]
11 percent of the members of the board of trustees are to be elected
12 from single-member trustee districts with the remaining trustees to
13 be elected from the district at large.

14 SECTION 2. The board of trustees of a school district that
15 before the effective date of this Act elected at least 70 percent of
16 its trustees from single-member districts may adopt a redistricting
17 plan that complies with Section 11.052(a), Education Code, as
18 amended by this Act.

19 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
23 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend H.B. No. 699 on page 1 by striking lines 14 through 18 and substituting the following:

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act by the amendment of Section 11.052(a), Education Code, does not apply to the board of trustees of a school district that before the effective date of this Act elected at least 70 percent of its trustees from single member districts. The school district shall be subject to the law in effect immediately before the effective date of this Act, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

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