

1-1 By: Hope, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Williams) H.B. No. 1251
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 19, 2003;
1-3 May 20, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Administration; May 23, 2003, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; May 23, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to calling an election to dissolve the Montgomery County
1-9 Hospital District.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Sections 23B(a) and (d), Chapter 258, Acts of the
1-12 65th Legislature, Regular Session, 1977, are amended to read as
1-13 follows:

1-14 (a) The board of directors shall order an election on the
1-15 question of dissolving the district and disposing of the district's
1-16 assets and obligations if the board of directors receives a
1-17 petition requesting an election that is signed by a number of
1-18 residents of the district equal to at least 15 percent of the total
1-19 vote received by all candidates for governor in the most recent
1-20 gubernatorial general election [~~registered voters~~] in the district
1-21 that occurs more than 30 days before the date the petition is
1-22 submitted to the board. If a petition submitted under this
1-23 subsection does not contain the necessary number of valid
1-24 signatures, a petition submitted under this subsection before the
1-25 third anniversary of the date the invalid petition was submitted
1-26 has no effect.

1-27 (d) If a majority of the votes in the election favor
1-28 dissolution, the board of directors shall find that the district is
1-29 dissolved. If less than a majority of the votes in the election [~~do~~
1-30 ~~not~~] favor dissolution, the board of directors shall continue to
1-31 administer the district and another election on the question of
1-32 dissolution may not be held before the third [~~fourth~~] anniversary
1-33 of the most recent election to dissolve the district.

1-34 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2004, and
1-35 applies only to a petition requesting the dissolution of the
1-36 district filed on or after that date.

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