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H.B. No. 3130

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the annexation of additional territory and the composition of the port commission of the Port of Corpus Christi Authority of Nueces County, Texas.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 397, Acts of the 68th Legislature, Regular Session, 1973, are amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1. COMPOSITION OF PORT COMMISSION; REQUIREMENTS. The port commission of the Port of Corpus Christi Authority of Nueces County, Texas is composed of seven members.

Sec 1A. FULL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE. A port commissioner must file an annual financial disclosure report, the same form as that required by law for the District Court Judges.

Sec. 1B. DISCLOSURE OF VENDOR RELATIONSHIP. (a) The port Commission of the Port of Corpus Christi Authority of Nueces County, Texas shall prescribe a conflicts disclosure statement for vendors and port commissioners.

(b) A port commissioner shall disclose on the conflicts disclosure statement any employment or other business relationship the commissioner has with a vendor who participates, as a bidder or in another manner, in the purchasing procedures used by the Authority, if that relationship results in the commissioner's receipt of taxable income from the vendor. The commissioner must include on the statement a description of the

1 nature and extent of the relationship.

2 c) The port commissioner must file the disclosure
3 statement with the clerk of the county not later than the 10th day
4 after the date the commissioner becomes aware of the vendor's
5 participation, by the submission of a bid or in another manner, in
6 the purchasing procedures of the Authority.

7 (d) A vendor described by Subsection (b) shall file a
8 conflicts disclosure statement with the clerk of the county not
9 later than the 10th day after the vendor:

10 (1) begins contract discussions or negotiations
11 with the Authority; or

12 (2) forwards an application, response to a
13 request for proposal, correspondence, or other writings related to
14 an agreement or potential agreement with the Authority.

15 (e) A vendor shall file an updated conflicts
16 disclosure statement with the clerk of the county:

17 (1) on September 1 of each year; and

18 (2) after each event that would make a statement
19 in the conflicts disclosure statement incomplete or inaccurate.

20 Sec. 2. APPOINTMENT OF PORT COMMISSIONERS;
21 ~~ELIGIBILITY~~ ANNEXATION OF SAN PATRICIO COUNTY INTO THE PORT OF
22 CORPUS CHRISTI AUTHORITY.

23 ~~(a)~~ The Commissioners Court of Nueces County shall
24 appoint ~~four~~ three members to the port commission, ~~and~~ the City
25 Council of Corpus Christi shall appoint three members to the port
26 commission and the Commissioners Court of San Patricio County shall
27 appoint one member to the port commission. The appointment of a port

1 commissioner by the Commissioners Court of San Patricio County has
2 the effect of annexing the territory of San Patricio County into the
3 Port of Corpus Christi Authority.

4 ~~(b) A person must have been a resident of Nueces County~~
5 ~~for at least six months to be eligible for appointment to the port~~
6 ~~commission.~~

7 Sec. 3. TERMS OF OFFICE. (a) The port commissioners
8 shall serve ~~staggered three-year~~ two-year terms.

9 (b) A person may not serve more than ~~four~~ two full
10 terms as port commissioner.

11 Sec. 4. TERMINATION OF CURRENT NUECES COUNTY
12 COMMISSIONERS; APPOINTMENT OF NEW NUECES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND
13 NEW SAN PATRICIO COUNTY COMMISSIONER. (a) The terms of the current
14 port commissioners appointed by the Commissioners Court of Nueces
15 County shall expire on September 1, 2003. The Commissioners Court
16 of Nueces County shall make new appointments to the port commission
17 on September 1, 2003. In making its new appointments to the port
18 commission, the Commissioners Court of Nueces County shall appoint:

19 (1) two port commissioners to terms that expire
20 September 1, 2006; and

21 (2) one port commissioner to a term that expires
22 September 1, 2005.

23 (b) In making its new appointment to the port
24 commission, the Commissioners Court of San Patricio County shall
25 appoint one commissioner to a term that expires September 1, 2005.

26 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
27 a vote of two-thirds of all members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
3 Act takes effect on September 1, 2003.