

By: Smith of Tarrant

H.B. No. 3603

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the appointment or election of judges of municipal courts of record in the City of Bedford.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 30, Government Code, is amended by adding Subchapter XX to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER XX. BEDFORD

Sec. 30.01881. APPLICATION. This subchapter applies to the City of Bedford.

Sec. 30.01882. JUDGE. The governing body of the city may determine by ordinance whether a municipal judge is appointed by the governing body or elected by the qualified voters of the city by a majority vote. A municipal judge serves for a term of three years.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2003.