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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

relating to the membership of the Board of Protective and Regulatory Services.

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

SECTION 1. Section 40.021, Human Resources Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) One of the members of the board under Subsection (b) who has a demonstrated interest in the services provided by the department must be a person who was a child in the foster care system.

SECTION 2. (a) 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.

- (b) The change in law made by this Act to Section 40.021, Human Resources Code, relating to the qualifications of members of the Board of Protective and Regulatory Services does not affect the entitlement of a member of the board serving immediately before the effective date of this Act to continue to serve on the board for the term to which the member was appointed.
- (c) As the terms of the members of the Board of Protective and Regulatory Services expire or as vacancies on the board occur, the governor shall make appointments to the board to achieve, as soon as possible, the membership plan prescribed by Section 40.021, Human Resources Code, as amended by this Act.

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