

1-1 By: Lindsay S.B. No. 735
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 27, 2003; March 3, 2003,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;
1-4 March 19, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,
1-5 Nays 0; March 19, 2003, sent to printer.)

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

1-8 relating to local government officials serving on state boards.

1-9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-10 SECTION 1. Chapter 574, Government Code, is amended by
1-11 adding Section 574.005 to read as follows:

1-12 Sec. 574.005. LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICERS ON STATE GOVERNING
1-13 BODIES. (a) In this section:

1-14 (1) "Local government" means a county, a municipality,
1-15 a special district or authority, or another political subdivision
1-16 of this state.

1-17 (2) "State agency" means a department, commission,
1-18 board, office, council, authority, or other agency in the executive
1-19 branch of state government that is created by the constitution or a
1-20 statute of this state, including a university system or institution
1-21 of higher education as defined by Section 61.003, Education Code.

1-22 (b) An individual who holds an elected or appointed local
1-23 government office may be appointed to the governing body of a state
1-24 agency if otherwise eligible. The individual may not receive
1-25 compensation for serving on the governing body of the state agency
1-26 but may be reimbursed as provided by other law for a reasonable and
1-27 necessary expense incurred in the performance of an official
1-28 function.

1-29 (c) Rules adopted under Section 574.003 are not required to
1-30 implement this section.

1-31 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-32 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-33 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-34 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-35 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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