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H.B. No. 150

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the eligibility of a person to be appointed to serve on certain civil service commissions.

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

SECTION 1. Section 143.006, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Subsections (c-1), (c-2), and (c-3) to read as follows:

(c-1) Notwithstanding Subsection (c)(5), the municipality's chief executive may reappoint a commission member to consecutive terms. A commission member may not be reappointed to more than a third consecutive term unless the member's reappointment to a fourth or subsequent consecutive term is confirmed by a two-thirds majority of all the members of the municipality's governing body.

(c-2) Subsection (c)(5) does not prohibit the municipality's chief executive from appointing a former commission member to the commission if the only public office held by the former member within the preceding three years is membership on:

(1) the commission; or

(2) the commission and the municipality's civil service board for employees other than police officers and firefighters through a joint appointment to the commission and board.

(c-3) Subsections (c-1) and (c-2) do not apply to a

1 municipality with a population of 1.5 million or more.

2 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
6 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.