

1-1 By: McClendon, Leibowitz H.B. No. 295
1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Van de Putte)
1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 13, 2005;
1-4 May 16, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-5 Education; May 20, 2005, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-6 Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 20, 2005, sent to printer.)

1-7 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-8 AN ACT

1-9 relating to the removal of a member of a junior college district
1-10 board of trustees for failure to attend board meetings.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 130, Education Code, is
1-13 amended by adding Section 130.0845 to read as follows:

1-14 Sec. 130.0845. REMOVAL OF TRUSTEE FOR NONATTENDANCE OF
1-15 BOARD MEETINGS. (a) It is a ground for removal of a member of the
1-16 board of trustees of a junior college district that the member is
1-17 absent from more than half of the regularly scheduled board
1-18 meetings that the member is eligible to attend during a calendar
1-19 year, not counting an absence for which the member is excused by a
1-20 majority vote of the board.

1-21 (b) The validity of an action of the board of trustees is not
1-22 affected by the fact that the action is taken when a ground for
1-23 removal of a member of the board exists.

1-24 (c) A member of a board of trustees may be removed for a
1-25 ground provided by this section, using the procedures provided by
1-26 Subchapter B, Chapter 87, Local Government Code, for removing a
1-27 county official.

1-28 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies to an
1-29 individual who is elected or appointed to the board of trustees of a
1-30 junior college district before, on, or after the effective date of
1-31 this Act.

1-32 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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