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H.B. No. 824

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a requirement that appraisal review board members
3 complete a training and education course annually.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 5.041, Tax Code, is amended by amending
6 Subsections (b) and (c) to read as follows:

7 (b) A member of the appraisal review board established for
8 an appraisal district must annually complete the course established
9 under Subsection (a). A member of the appraisal review board may
10 not participate in a hearing conducted by the board unless the
11 person has completed the course [~~established under Subsection (a)~~]
12 and received a certificate of course completion. In a tax year
13 after the tax year in which a member of the appraisal review board
14 initially completes the course, the member may not participate in a
15 hearing conducted by the board after May 1 unless the member has
16 completed the course and received a certificate of course
17 completion in the current tax year.

18 (c) The comptroller may contract with service providers to
19 assist with the duties imposed under Subsection (a), but the course
20 required may not be provided by an appraisal district or a taxing
21 unit. The comptroller may assess a fee to recover a portion of the
22 costs incurred for the training course, but the fee may not exceed
23 \$50 per person trained. A service provider shall provide public
24 notice of a training course in the manner required by the

1 comptroller. The notice must include the date, time, and location
2 of the training course.

3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect January 1, 2006.