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H.B. No. 2143

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to adjusting the term of an elected officer of a home-rule  
3 municipality to comply with the Election Code.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 26, Local Government Code,  
6 is amended by adding Section 26.047 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 26.047. ADJUSTMENT OF TERM FOR COMPLIANCE WITH  
8 ELECTION CODE. If under a charter provision the term of an elected  
9 office of a municipality begins on a date that would not allow for  
10 compliance with all provisions of the Election Code required for  
11 holding an election, the governing body of the municipality shall  
12 adjust the term of that office to begin on the first date that  
13 allows for compliance with those provisions.

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