

1-1 By: Hartnett (Senate Sponsor - Averitt) H.B. No. 2795  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 13, 2005;  
1-3 April 14, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Jurisprudence; May 21, 2005, reported favorably by the following  
1-5 vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 21, 2005, sent to printer.)

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

1-8 relating to certain appointments made by the governor and the chief  
1-9 justice of the supreme court.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 74.005, Government Code, is amended to  
1-12 read as follows:

1-13 Sec. 74.005. APPOINTMENT OF REGIONAL PRESIDING JUDGES. (a)  
1-14 The chief justice of the supreme court [~~governor, with the advice~~  
1-15 ~~and consent of the senate,~~] shall appoint one judge in each  
1-16 administrative region as presiding judge of the region.

1-17 (b) On the death, resignation, or expiration of the term of  
1-18 office of a presiding judge, the chief justice of the supreme court  
1-19 [~~governor~~] immediately shall appoint or reappoint a presiding  
1-20 judge.

1-21 SECTION 2. Section 815.002(a), Government Code, is amended  
1-22 to read as follows:

1-23 (a) Three members of the board of trustees are appointed  
1-24 with the advice and consent of the senate as follows [~~one each~~  
1-25 ~~by~~]:

- 1-26 (1) two members appointed by the governor; and  
1-27 (2) [~~the chief justice of the Supreme Court of Texas;~~  
1-28 ~~and~~

1-29 [~~(3)~~] one member appointed by the speaker of the house  
1-30 of representatives.

1-31 SECTION 3. The amendment by this Act of Sections 74.005 and  
1-32 815.002, Government Code, does not affect the term of a person  
1-33 appointed under those sections before the effective date of this  
1-34 Act.

1-35 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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