

1-1 By: Averitt S.B. No. 806  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 28, 2005; March 10, 2005,  
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources;  
1-4 April 22, 2005, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 11,  
1-5 Nays 0; April 22, 2005, sent to printer.)

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

1-8 relating to the qualifications of appointed members of the State  
1-9 Soil and Water Conservation Board.

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

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 201.011, Agriculture Code, is amended to  
1-12 read as follows:

1-13 Sec. 201.011. COMPOSITION. The State Soil and Water  
1-14 Conservation Board is a state agency composed of seven members as  
1-15 follows:

1-16 (1) one member elected from each of the state  
1-17 districts in accordance with this subchapter; and

1-18 (2) two members appointed by the governor, each of  
1-19 whom is:

1-20 (A) an eligible voter who owns land within a  
1-21 conservation district and is actively engaged in the business of  
1-22 farming or~~[7] animal husbandry[, or other business related to~~  
1-23 ~~agriculture and who wholly or partly owns or leases land used in~~  
1-24 ~~connection with that business]; and~~

1-25 (B) not a member of the board of directors of a  
1-26 conservation district.

1-27 SECTION 2. The change in law made by Section 201.011,  
1-28 Agriculture Code, as amended by this Act, regarding the composition  
1-29 of the State Soil and Water Conservation Board, does not affect the  
1-30 entitlement of a member serving on the board immediately before the  
1-31 effective date of this Act to continue to serve and function as a  
1-32 member of the board for the remainder of the member's term. Members  
1-33 appointed to fill vacancies on the board occurring on or after the  
1-34 effective date of this Act must be appointed in accordance with  
1-35 Section 201.011, Agriculture Code, as amended by this Act.

1-36 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-37 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-38 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-39 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-40 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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