

1-1 By: Duncan S.B. No. 986
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 4, 2005; March 14, 2005, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources;
1-4 March 29, 2005, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 11,
1-5 Nays 0; March 29, 2005, sent to printer.)

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

1-8 relating to the election of directors of the Wes-Tex Groundwater
1-9 Conservation District.

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

1-11 SECTION 1. Subsection (e), Section 9, Chapter 1473, Acts of
1-12 the 77th Legislature, Regular Session, 2001, is amended to read as
1-13 follows:

1-14 (e) When the boundaries of [At the first election of the
1-15 district after] the county commissioners precincts are redrawn
1-16 under Section 18, Article V, Texas Constitution, a director in
1-17 office on the effective date of the change, or elected or appointed
1-18 before the effective date of the change to a term of office
1-19 beginning on or after the effective date of the change, shall serve
1-20 the term or the remainder of the term in the precinct to which
1-21 elected or appointed even though the change in boundaries places
1-22 the person's residence outside the precinct for which the person
1-23 was elected or appointed [eight new directors shall be elected to
1-24 represent the precincts. The directors elected shall draw lots to
1-25 determine which director from each precinct serves a two-year term
1-26 and which director from each precinct serves a four-year term].

1-27 SECTION 2. Chapter 1473, Acts of the 77th Legislature,
1-28 Regular Session, 2001, is amended by amending Section 11 and adding
1-29 Section 11A to read as follows:

1-30 Sec. 11. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS. ~~[(a)]~~ On the uniform
1-31 election date prescribed by Section 41.001, Election Code, in
1-32 November [first Saturday in May] of each even-numbered [the second]
1-33 year [after the year in which the district is authorized to be
1-34 created at a confirmation election, an election shall be held in the
1-35 district for the election of:

1-36 ~~[(1) the at-large director and the director from each~~
1-37 ~~precinct representing an incorporated area of the precinct to serve~~
1-38 ~~four-year terms, and~~

1-39 ~~[(2) one director from each precinct representing an~~
1-40 ~~unincorporated area of the precinct to serve two-year terms.~~

1-41 ~~[(b) On the first Saturday in May of each subsequent second~~
1-42 ~~year following the election], the appropriate number of directors~~
1-43 ~~shall be elected.~~

1-44 Sec. 11A. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS IN 2006 AND 2008. (a) On
1-45 the uniform election date prescribed by Section 41.001, Election
1-46 Code, in November 2006, an election shall be held in the district
1-47 for the election of the directors from Precincts 2 and 4 to serve
1-48 four-year terms expiring December 1, 2010.

1-49 (b) On the uniform election date prescribed by Section
1-50 41.001, Election Code, in November 2008, an election shall be held
1-51 in the district for the election of the at-large director and the
1-52 directors from Precincts 1 and 3 to serve four-year terms expiring
1-53 December 1, 2012.

1-54 SECTION 3. (a) The terms of the Wes-Tex Groundwater
1-55 Conservation District directors elected from Precincts 2 and 4 and
1-56 serving on the effective date of this Act expire December 1, 2006.

1-57 (b) The term of the Wes-Tex Groundwater Conservation
1-58 District director elected from the district at large and the terms
1-59 of the directors elected from Precincts 1 and 3 who are serving on
1-60 the effective date of this Act expire December 1, 2008.

1-61 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-62 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-63 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-64 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

2-1 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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