

Amend CSHB 1275 as follows:

(1) On page 1, line 7, strike "SUIT TO APPEAL" and substitute "COMPLAINT REGARDING".

(2) On page 1, lines 13 and 14, strike "bringing a cause of action against" and substitute "filing a written complaint with the governing body of".

(3) On page 1, strike lines 15 through 20 and substitute the following:

(b) The governing body of a public entity or public work that receives a written complaint under Subsection (a) shall respond to the complaint not later than the 15th business day after the date the governing body receives the complaint. The governing body may render a different hiring decision than the decision that is the subject of the complaint if the governing body determines that the veteran's preference was not applied.

(4) Insert the following appropriately numbered section and renumber the sections of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Section 657.008(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A public entity shall file quarterly with the comptroller a report that states:

(1) the percentage of the total number of employees hired by the entity during the reporting period who are persons entitled to a preference under this chapter; ~~and~~

(2) the percentage of the total number of the entity's employees who are persons entitled to a preference under this chapter; and

(3) the number of complaints filed with the governing body of the entity under Section 657.010 during that quarter and the number of those complaints resolved by the governing body.