

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 3718
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Transportation
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Current law provides for the formation and operation of regional mobility authorities. A regional mobility is governed by a board of directors. Under current law, members of the board of directors of a regional mobility authority serve six-year terms if allowed by the Constitution and otherwise serve two-year terms, with the terms of not more than one-half of the directors expiring on February 1 of each year.

In the case of a board composed of an odd-number of directors serving two-year terms, it is necessary for the terms of more than one-half of the directors to expire in some years. H.B. 3718 would address this issue by providing that directors serve two-year terms with the terms of as near as possible to one-half of the directors expiring on February 1 of each year. Further, H.B. 3718 would eliminate the reference to six-year board terms as a previous constitutional amendment authorizing six year terms was not approved by the voters.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

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SECTION 1. Amends Section 370.251(c), Transportation Code, as follows:

Provides that directors serve two-year terms, with as near as possible to one-half of the directors' terms expiring on February 1 of each year.

SECTION 2. Effective Date: Immediate if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all members of each house; otherwise, September 1, 2007.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Upon passage, or, if the Act does not receive the necessary vote, the Act takes effect September 1, 2007.