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               Heflin (Senate Sponsor - Uresti)
                                                                                     H.B. No. 2222
         (In the Senate - Received from the House May 3, 2007; May 7, 2007, read first time and referred to Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Affairs and Coastal Resources; May 19, 2007,
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          reported favorably from Committee on Natural Resources by the
          following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0; May 19, 2007, sent to printer.)
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                                          A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
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                                                    AN ACT
          relating to the membership of the Food and Fibers Research Council.
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                  BÉ IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: SECTION 1. Section 42.002, Agriculture Code, is amended to
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read as follows:

Sec. 42.002. ORGANIZATION. The Food and Fibers Research Council is composed of the following members appointed by the commissioner:

- (1)the commissioner or the commissioner's designee;
- two representatives of the Texas Cotton Producers (2)Association;
 - (3) a representative of the Texas Cotton Association;
- (4)a representative of the Texas Cotton Ginners

Association;

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- a representative of the Texas Independent Ginners Association;
- (6) Texas representative of the Agriculture a Cooperative Council;
 - (7) a representative of the Mohair Council of America;
- (8) a representative of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association;
- (9) a Texas representative of the National Cottonseed Products Association;
- (10) a [Texas] representative of the peanut industry [Southwest Peanut Growers Association];
- (11) a representative of the textile or fashion industry; and
- a representative of the food processing industry. (12)SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the commissioner of agriculture shall appoint a member of the Food and Fibers Research Council in accordance with Section 42.002(10), Agriculture Code, as amended by this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 1-40 1-41 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 1-42 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 1-43 1 - 44Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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