By: Ortiz, Jr. (Senate Sponsor - Hinojosa) 1-1 H.B. No. 2622 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 14, 2007; May 15, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security; May 17, 2007, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 17, 2007, sent to printer.) 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5 1-6 sent to printer.)

> A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to eligibility of board members of certain rapid transit 1-9 1-10 1-11 authorities to receive insurance benefits.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. The heading to Section 451.519, Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 451.519. BOARD MEMBERS: EXPENSES; PER DIEM; INSURANCE BENEFITS.

SECTION 2. Section 451.519, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) A board member of an authority in which the principal municipality has a population of less than 300,000 is eligible to participate in any health or other insurance benefit program offered to an employee of the authority as if the board member were an employee.

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

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