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H.B. No. 3246

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to inflation adjustments to retirement benefits provided
3 by certain rapid transit authorities.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 451, Transportation Code,
6 is amended by adding Section 451.113 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 451.113. INFLATION ADJUSTMENTS TO RETIREMENT
8 BENEFITS. At least once a year the governing body of a retirement
9 system created or maintained by an authority established or
10 operating under this chapter, or in which the authority
11 participates, shall adjust for inflation the retirement benefits
12 paid to an individual receiving those benefits from the retirement
13 system. The adjustment shall be computed to the nearest cent using
14 the consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical
15 workers (CPI-W), as computed by the United States Department of
16 Labor for the preceding 12 months, or another index that the
17 governing body determines accurately reflects changes in the cost
18 of living in the area of the authority.

19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
23 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.