

1-1 By: Gallegos S.B. No. 1213
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 6, 2007; March 14, 2007, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental
1-4 Relations; April 23, 2007, reported adversely, with favorable
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 3, Nays 0;
1-6 April 23, 2007, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1213 By: Gallegos

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to the administration of certain retirement systems for
1-11 paid, partly paid, or volunteer firefighters.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Subsection (b), Section 19, Texas Local Fire
1-14 Fighters Retirement Act (Article 6243e, Vernon's Texas Civil
1-15 Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

1-16 (b) During each period that begins on December 1 of one year
1-17 and ends on January 31 of the following year, the participating
1-18 members of a fire fighters' retirement system in a municipality or
1-19 other political subdivision subject to this section shall elect by
1-20 secret ballot and certify to the governing body of the municipality
1-21 or other political subdivision a member to the board of trustees to
1-22 serve a term of three years. To be elected a member of a board of
1-23 trustees under this subsection, a person must be a participating
1-24 member of the retirement system and receive a majority of the votes
1-25 cast in the election, and at least 50 percent of all participating
1-26 members of the retirement system must vote in the election.

1-27 SECTION 2. Subsection (h), Section 21A, Texas Local Fire
1-28 Fighters Retirement Act (Article 6243e, Vernon's Texas Civil
1-29 Statutes), as added by Chapter 327, Acts of the 77th Legislature,
1-30 Regular Session, 2001, is redesignated as Subsection (h-1), Section
1-31 21A, Texas Local Fire Fighters Retirement Act (Article 6243e,
1-32 Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes).

1-33 SECTION 3. Subsection (b), Section 13, Texas Local Fire
1-34 Fighters Retirement Act (Article 6243e, Vernon's Texas Civil
1-35 Statutes), is repealed.

1-36 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-37 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-38 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-39 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-40 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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