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S.B. No. 1758

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to notice requirements for changes in the effective tax 3 rate.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subsection (d), Section 26.05, Tax Code, is 6 amended to read as follows:

The governing body of a taxing unit other than a school 7 (d) district may not adopt a tax rate that exceeds the lower of the 8 rollback tax rate or the effective tax rate calculated as provided 9 by this chapter until the governing body has held two public 10 hearings on the proposed tax rate and has otherwise complied with 11 Section 26.06 and Section 26.065. The governing body of a taxing 12 13 unit shall reduce a tax rate set by law or by vote of the electorate to the lower of the rollback tax rate or the effective tax rate and 14 15 may not adopt a higher rate unless it first complies with Section 26.06. The governing body of a school district may adopt a higher 16 effective tax rate without being subject to 26.06 and Section 17 26.065 if the total amount of taxes levied either decreases or 18 remains unchanged. 19

20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 21 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 22 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 23 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 24 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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