

# SENATE AMENDMENTS

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H.B. No. 945

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
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3 may hold an election of trustees.

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

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6 read as follows:

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9 Gulf of Mexico, has a population of more than 230,000 according to  
10 the 1980 census, and held its general election for officers in 1987  
11 on the first Saturday in April may be held on any Saturday in April  
12 in odd-numbered years.

13 (b) An independent school district located wholly or partly  
14 in a city holding an election authorized under Subsection (a) is not  
15 required to hold its elections on the same date as another political  
16 subdivision as provided by Section 11.0581, Education Code.

17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

ADOPTED

MAY 22 2007

*Lotay Spaw*  
Secretary of the Senate

By: *J. J. King* \_\_\_\_\_ .B. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Substitute the following for H.B. No. 945:  
By: *Fr* \_\_\_\_\_ C.S. .B. No. \_\_\_\_\_

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(b) An independent school district located wholly or partly in a city holding an election authorized under Subsection (a) may hold its general election for trustees on the same date as a joint election with the city.

SECTION 2. Not later than December 31, 2007, the board of trustees of an independent school district may:

(1) change the date on which it holds its general election for trustees to allow the district to hold its election jointly with a municipality holding an election under Section 41.0051, Election Code; and

(2) adjust the terms of office of trustees to conform to the change of the election date made under Subdivision (1) of

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*1*

1 this section.

2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

FLOOR  
COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. 1

BY: [Signature]

Amend the proposed substitute to H.B. No. 945 by adding the following appropriately numbered section to read as follows and by renumbering the existing sections of the substitute as appropriate:

SECTION \_\_. Section 11.0581(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) An election for trustees of an independent school district shall be held on the same date as:

(1) the election for the members of the governing body of a municipality located in the school district; [~~e~~]

(2) the general election for state and county officers; or

(3) the election for the members of the governing body of a hospital district, if the school district held its election for trustees jointly with the election for the members of the governing body of the hospital district before May 2007.

**ADOPTED**

MAY 22 2007

[Signature]  
Secretary of the Senate

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**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
Austin, Texas

**FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 18, 2007**

**TO:** Honorable Robert Duncan, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB945** by Herrero (Relating to the dates on which certain independent school districts may hold an election of trustees.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

**No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Certain school districts would be allowed to change the date of the general election of trustees to provide for a joint election with a municipality that is allowed to hold a general election for offices on a Saturday in April of odd-numbered years under Section 41.0051, Election Code. These districts would also be authorized to adjust the terms of office of trustees to conform to a change in election date.

**Source Agencies:** 307 Secretary of State, 701 Central Education Agency

**LBB Staff:** JOB, KJG, MN, JSp

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**

**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 11, 2007**

**TO:** Honorable Robert Duncan, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB945** by Herrero (Relating to the dates on which certain independent school districts may hold an election of trustees.), **As Engrossed**

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**Source Agencies:** 307 Secretary of State, 701 Central Education Agency

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**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 13, 2007**

**TO:** Honorable Leo Berman, Chair, House Committee on Elections

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** **HB945** by Herrero (relating to the dates on which certain independent school districts may hold an election of trustees. ), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

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**Source Agencies:** 307 Secretary of State, 701 Central Education Agency

**LBB Staff:** JOB, MN, JSp

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**

**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**March 26, 2007**

**TO:** Honorable Leo Berman, Chair, House Committee on Elections

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB945** by Herrero (Relating to the dates on which certain independent school districts may hold an election of trustees.), **As Introduced**

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