

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 118  
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County Affairs  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

The 80th Legislature, Regular Session, 2007, enacted S.B. 267, requiring all members of the Lynn County Hospital District board of directors to attend more than one-fourth of regularly scheduled board meetings. Currently, if not in attendance for at least one-fourth of the scheduled meetings, a board member is subject to removal.

Before the enactment of S.B. 267, the Lynn County Hospital District had attendance problems at scheduled board meetings and needed attendance requirements to ensure the proper functioning of the board. The district now wants to be able to remove a board member from office if the member misses more than half of the regularly scheduled meetings.

H.B. 118 creates grounds for removal from the board if a member misses more than half of the regularly scheduled meetings.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### **ANALYSIS**

H.B. 118 amends Section 4A(a), Chapter 66, Acts of the 60th Legislature, Regular Session, 1967, and the Special District Local Laws Code, as effective September 1, 2009, to decrease the maximum number of unexcused absences from three-fourths to half of the regularly scheduled meetings of the board of directors of the Lynn County Hospital District during a calendar year that constitutes grounds for removal of a member.

H.B. 118 establishes that its provisions take effect either as an amendment to Chapter 66, Acts of the 60th Legislature, Regular Session, 1967, or as an amendment to Chapter 1054, Special District Local Laws Code, as effective September 1, 2009, contingent on the passage of the Act of the 81st Legislature, Regular Session, 2009, relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in existing codes.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2009.