

AN ACT

relating to leave for certain state employees who volunteer or participate in training for Court Appointed Special Advocates.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 661, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 661.921 to read as follows:

Sec. 661.921. COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES VOLUNTEER.

A state employee may be granted leave not to exceed five hours each month to participate in mandatory training or perform volunteer services for Court Appointed Special Advocates without a deduction in salary or loss of vacation time, sick leave, earned overtime credit, or state compensatory time.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1462 was passed by the House on April 27, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 87, Nays 57, 1 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1462 on May 29, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 98, Nays 41, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1462 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 23, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor