

1-1 By: Watson S.B. No. 1441
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 6, 2009; March 17, 2009, read
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1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the terms of the members of the Court Reporters
1-9 Certification Board.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Subsection (f), Section 52.011, Government Code,
1-12 is amended to read as follows:

1-13 (f) Board members serve staggered six-year terms of office,
1-14 with the terms of two or three members expiring on December 31 of
1-15 each year.

1-16 SECTION 2. (a) To comply with Subsection (f), Section
1-17 52.011, Government Code, as amended by this Act, the Supreme Court
1-18 of Texas, as soon as possible after the effective date of this Act,
1-19 shall prescribe a method for determining the dates on which the
1-20 terms of the members of the Court Reporters Certification Board
1-21 serving, and of the offices that are vacant, on the effective date
1-22 of this Act expire. By using the method prescribed by the Supreme
1-23 Court of Texas:

1-24 (1) a combination of two members serving, or offices
1-25 vacant, on the effective date of this Act must be selected for a
1-26 term expiration date of December 31, 2010;

1-27 (2) a combination of two members serving, or offices
1-28 vacant, on the effective date of this Act must be selected for a
1-29 term expiration date of December 31, 2011;

1-30 (3) a combination of two members serving, or offices
1-31 vacant, on the effective date of this Act must be selected for a
1-32 term expiration date of December 31, 2012;

1-33 (4) a combination of two members serving, or offices
1-34 vacant, on the effective date of this Act must be selected for a
1-35 term expiration date of December 31, 2013;

1-36 (5) a combination of two members serving, or offices
1-37 vacant, on the effective date of this Act must be selected for a
1-38 term expiration date of December 31, 2014; and

1-39 (6) a combination of three members serving, or offices
1-40 vacant, on the effective date of this Act must be selected for a
1-41 term expiration date of December 31, 2015.

1-42 (b) The method prescribed by the Supreme Court of Texas as
1-43 required by Subsection (a) of this section may be a drawing of lots.

1-44 (c) For purposes of Subsection (g), Section 52.011,
1-45 Government Code, the term being served by a member of the Court
1-46 Reporters Certification Board on the effective date of this Act
1-47 that expires in accordance with Subsection (a) of this section is
1-48 considered a single term.

1-49 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-50 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-51 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-52 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-53 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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