

Amend CSHB 272 (Senate Committee Report) in SECTION 39 of the bill, adding Section 2210.578, Insurance Code, by striking subsection (b) on page 15, lines 12-17, and substituting the following:

"(b) If six or more claimants file civil actions against the association as a result of a weather-related event, an action brought against the association under this section must be presided over by a judge appointed by the judicial panel on multidistrict litigation designated under Section 74.161, Government Code. A judge appointed under this section must be an active judge in Travis County, for suits filed in Travis County, or an active judge in the county in which suit is filed, for a suit filed in a county other than Travis County. 'Active judge' shall be defined as in Section 74.041, Government Code."