

Amend CSSB 655 (senate committee printing) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 55 of the bill (page 13, lines 35-44), strike Subsection (a) of the section, substitute the following subsections, and reletter the subsequent subsections of SECTION 55 of the bill accordingly:

(a) On the effective date of this Act, the member of the Railroad Commission of Texas who was most recently elected to a six-year term as a member of that commission becomes the initial commissioner of the Texas Oil and Gas Commission. The initial commissioner serves until the person appointed by the governor to serve as the commissioner under Subsection (b) of this section takes office.

(b) As soon as possible after the effective date of this Act, the governor shall appoint a person to serve as the commissioner of the Texas Oil and Gas Commission for a term that expires January 1, 2013. The governor may appoint as the commissioner the person who becomes the initial commissioner under Subsection (a) of this section.

(2) In SECTION 56 of the bill, in Subsection (a) of the section (page 13, lines 53 and 54), strike "On the date the initial commissioner of the Texas Oil and Gas Commission takes office" and substitute "On the effective date of this Act".

(3) In SECTION 57 of the bill (page 14, line 27), strike "The Railroad Commission of Texas shall adopt" and substitute "The Texas Oil and Gas Commission shall adopt".