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H.B. No. 1921

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the composition of a board of directors of a regional
3 mobility authority created by a municipality.

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

5 SECTION 1. Sections 370.251(a) and (a-1), Transportation
6 Code, are amended to read as follows:

7 (a) The [~~Except as provided by Subsection (a-1), the~~]
8 governing body of an authority is a board of directors consisting of
9 representatives of each county in which a transportation project of
10 the authority is located or is proposed to be located. The
11 commissioners court of each county that initially forms the
12 authority shall appoint at least two directors to the board.
13 Additional directors may be appointed to the board at the time of
14 initial formation by agreement of the counties creating the
15 authority to ensure fair representation of political subdivisions
16 in the counties of the authority that will be affected by a
17 transportation project of the authority, provided that the number
18 of directors must be an odd number. The commissioners court of a
19 county that is subsequently added to the authority shall appoint
20 one director to the board. The governor shall appoint one director
21 to the board who shall serve as the presiding officer of the board
22 and shall appoint an additional director to the board if an
23 appointment is necessary to maintain an odd number of directors on
24 the board.

1 (a-1) This section does not apply to an authority created by
2 a municipality or to that authority's governing body [~~To be~~
3 ~~eligible to serve as director of an authority created by a~~
4 ~~municipality an individual.~~

5 [~~(1) may be a representative of an entity that also has~~
6 ~~representation on a metropolitan planning organization in the~~
7 ~~region where the municipality is located; and~~

8 [~~(2) is required to be a resident of Texas regardless~~
9 ~~of whether the metropolitan planning organization's geographic~~
10 ~~area includes territory in another state].~~

11 SECTION 2. Subchapter F, Chapter 370, Transportation Code,
12 is amended by adding Section 370.2511 to read as follows:

13 Sec. 370.2511. BOARD OF DIRECTORS: CERTAIN AUTHORITIES.

14 (a) This section applies only to an authority created by a
15 municipality.

16 (b) The board of directors of an authority created by a
17 municipality consists of the members of the governing body of the
18 municipality.

19 (c) The presiding officers of the governing body of the
20 municipality that creates an authority are the presiding officers
21 of the board.

22 (d) Each director has equal status and may vote.

23 (e) The vote of a majority attending a board meeting is
24 necessary for any action taken by the board. If a vacancy exists on
25 a board, the majority of directors serving on the board is a quorum.

26 (f) The governing body of a municipality that becomes the
27 board of an existing authority under this section shall by

1 resolution provide for the transfer process that establishes the
2 governing body as the board of the authority.

3 (g) Sections 370.2515, 370.252, 370.2521, 370.2522,
4 370.2523, 370.253, 370.254, and 370.255 do not apply to a board
5 under this section.

6 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.