By: Hilderbran H.B. No. 1945

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the election of directors of the Real-Edwards
- 3 Conservation and Reclamation District.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 11, Chapter 341, Acts of the 56th
- 6 Legislature, Regular Session, 1959, is amended to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 11. (a) The government and control of the District
- 8 shall be vested in a Board of Directors consisting of nine  $[\frac{(9)}{}]$
- 9 members. Directors serve staggered four-year terms expiring on
- 10 January 1 of odd-numbered years.
- 11 (b) The District shall hold an election on the uniform
- 12 election date in November of each even-numbered year to elect the
- 13 appropriate number of Directors. [There shall be held in the
- 14 District on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in
- 15 each even-numbered year an election within the District for the
- 16 selection of Directors to succeed those whose terms expire on said
- 17 date. Such election shall be held in such voting boxes as are
- 18 designated by the Board of Directors, and notice of such election
- 19 shall be given by the Secretary of the Board of Directors by posting
- 20 in three (3) public places within the District a copy of the order
- 21 of the Board of Directors directing the time and places of holding
- 22 the election. No person shall be selected a Director unless he be
- 23 above the age of twenty-one (21) years and a resident within the
- 24 territorial limits of the District.

- 1 (b-1) An applicant to be a candidate for election as a
- 2 Director must indicate on the application either:
- 3 (1) the position number of the District that the
- 4 person seeks to represent; or
- 5 (2) that the person seeks to run at large.
- 6 (b-2) To be eligible to be a candidate for Director position
- 7 <u>number 1, 3, 5, or 7, a person must be a registered voter in Edwards</u>
- 8 County.
- 9 (b-3) To be eligible to be a candidate for Director position
- 10 number 2, 4, 6, or 8, a person must be a registered voter in Real
- 11 County.
- 12 (b-4) To be eligible to be a candidate for the at-large
- 13 position, a person must be a registered voter in the District.
- 14 (c) Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the Board of
- 15 Directors shall be filled by the remaining members of the Board for
- 16 the unexpired term of such office.
- 17 (d) Before entering upon the duties of [his] office, each
- 18 member of the Board of Directors shall take the Constitutional oath
- 19 of office.
- 20 SECTION 2. (a) A member of the board of directors of the
- 21 Real-Edwards Conservation and Reclamation District serving on the
- 22 effective date of this Act shall continue in office until the
- 23 member's successor qualifies for office.
- 24 (b) At the election held November 6, 2012, four directors
- 25 shall be elected from positions 1, 2, 3, and 4.
- 26 (c) At the election held November 4, 2014, four directors
- 27 shall be elected from position numbers 5, 6, 7, and 8 and one

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- 1 director elected at large.
- 2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 6 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.