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H.B. No. 3345

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the appointment of deputy district clerks in the 428th
3 District Court.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 51, Government Code, is
6 amended by adding Section 51.3105 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 51.3105. DEPUTY DISTRICT CLERKS OF 428TH DISTRICT
8 COURT. (a) The district clerk of Hays County shall appoint one or
9 more deputy clerks to serve the 428th District Court in Hays County.
10 A person appointed to serve as deputy clerk must be acceptable to
11 the district judge, and the appointment must be confirmed in
12 writing by the district judge. Before assuming the duties of
13 office, a deputy clerk must take the oath prescribed for officers of
14 this state.

15 (b) The district clerk may require a deputy clerk to give a
16 bond. The district clerk may prescribe the conditions and amount of
17 the bond, or the terms may be set as otherwise provided by law.

18 (c) The deputy clerk shall:

19 (1) perform the official duties of the district clerk;
20 (2) attend each session of the court to which the
21 deputy is appointed; and
22 (3) perform reasonable office duties as requested by
23 the district judge.

24 (d) A deputy clerk serves at the pleasure of the district

1 judge. If the office of a deputy clerk becomes vacant, the district
2 clerk shall appoint a person to serve as deputy clerk in the manner
3 provided for the initial appointment.

4 (e) The district clerk shall fix the annual salary of the
5 deputy clerk. The salary must be approved by the Hays County
6 Commissioners Court and shall be paid in equal installments twice
7 monthly from the county fund established for the purpose.

8 (f) This section does not prevent the district clerk from
9 appointing additional deputy clerks to the district court if
10 necessary or if requested by the district judge.

11 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
12 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
13 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
14 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
15 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.