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S.B. No. 550

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the required public notice of the names of a certain
3 number of finalists for the position of superintendent of a public
4 school district.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 552.126, Government Code, is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 Sec. 552.126. EXCEPTION: NAME OF APPLICANT FOR
9 SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT. (a) Except as provided
10 by Subsection (b), the [The] name of an applicant for the position
11 of superintendent of a public school district is excepted from the
12 requirements of Section 552.021[~~, except that the board of trustees~~
13 ~~must give public notice of the name or names of the finalists being~~
14 ~~considered for the position at least 21 days before the date of the~~
15 ~~meeting at which a final action or vote is to be taken on the~~
16 ~~employment of the person].~~

17 (b) At least 21 days before the date of the meeting at which
18 a final action or vote is to be taken on the employment of an
19 applicant for the position of superintendent of a public school
20 district, the board of trustees must give public notice of:

21 (1) the names of at least three finalists being
22 considered for the position, if the board of trustees interviewed
23 three people or more during the final round of interviews for the
24 position; or

1 (2) the name or names of all the finalists being
2 considered for the position, if the board of trustees interviewed
3 not more than two people during the final round of interviews for
4 the position.

5 (c) Before the public notice required by Subsection (b) is
6 posted, the board of trustees must give an applicant whose name will
7 be included in the public notice an opportunity to withdraw from
8 consideration for the position.

9 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
10 with respect to notice of a meeting held on or after October 1,
11 2011. A notice of a meeting held before that date is governed by the
12 law in effect on the date the notice is given, and that law is
13 continued in effect for that purpose.

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