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H.B. No. 2175

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to grievance procedures for firefighters in certain  
3 municipalities.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 143.128, Local Government Code, is  
6 amended by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

7 (b-1) If the departmental grievance counselor does not  
8 schedule a step I meeting within the time required by Subsection  
9 (b), the department head shall sustain the grievance of a fire  
10 fighter.

11 SECTION 2. Section 143.129, Local Government Code, is  
12 amended by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

13 (b-1) If the step II meeting is not held within the time  
14 required by Subsection (b), the department head shall sustain the  
15 grievance of a fire fighter.

16 SECTION 3. Sections 143.128(b-1) and 143.129(b-1), Local  
17 Government Code, as added by this Act, apply only to a grievance  
18 filed on or after September 1, 2013.

19 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.