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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the qualifications for certain positions with the
- 3 Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 411.0223, Government Code, is amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 411.0223. APPOINTMENT OF HIGHEST-RANKING OFFICERS.
- 8 (a) Except as provided by Subsection (c), an officer is eligible
- 9 for appointment by the director to chief [the highest rank] of the
- 10 Texas Rangers only if the officer has at least five years of
- 11 supervisory experience as a commissioned member of the Texas
- 12 Rangers.
- 13 (b) Except as provided by Subsection (c), an officer is
- 14 eligible for appointment by the director to assistant chief [the
- 15 second highest rank] of the Texas Rangers only if the officer has at
- 16 least four years of supervisory experience as a commissioned member
- 17 of the Texas Rangers.
- (c) If there are  $\underline{\text{fewer}}$  [less] than two qualified officers
- 19 for appointment to chief or assistant chief [the highest rank or the
- 20 second highest rank] of the Texas Rangers, the director may appoint
- 21 an officer to the position of chief or assistant chief of the Texas
- 22 Rangers [highest rank or the second highest rank] only if the
- 23 officer has at least two years of supervisory experience as a
- 24 commissioned member of the Texas Rangers.

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- 1 (d) Except as provided by Subsection (e), an officer is
- 2 eligible for appointment by the director to the rank of major of the
- 3 Texas Rangers only if the officer has at least one year of
- 4 supervisory experience as a captain of the Texas Rangers.
- 5 (e) If there are fewer than two qualified captains for
- 6 appointment to the rank of major of the Texas Rangers, the director
- 7 may appoint a lieutenant to the position of major of the Texas
- 8 Rangers only if the lieutenant has at least two years of supervisory
- 9 experience as a commissioned member of the Texas Rangers.
- 10 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.