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H.B. No. 3444

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to eligibility to serve as an arbitrator in a binding arbitration of an appeal of an appraisal review board order.

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

SECTION 1. Section 41A.06, Tax Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) A person who is a former employee, a former member of the governing body, or a former officer of a taxing unit in this state or an appraisal district in this state is ineligible to serve as an arbitrator under this chapter until the fourth anniversary of the date the person ceased to be an employee, member, or officer.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a person who initially qualifies to serve as an arbitrator under Chapter 41A, Tax Code, on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.