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H.B. No. 3445

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the date by which an appraisal review board must hear a  
3 property tax protest, petition, or motion.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 41.01, Tax Code, is amended by adding  
6 Subsection (c) to read as follows:

7 (c) If a hearing is necessary to take action or make a  
8 determination under Subsection (a), the board must hold the hearing  
9 on or before the 180th day after the date the protest, petition, or  
10 motion is filed, regardless of whether a party requests a  
11 postponement. If the board fails to hold the hearing by the  
12 required date, the protest, petition, or motion is considered  
13 granted.

14 SECTION 2. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b) of this  
15 section, this Act applies only to a protest, petition, or motion  
16 filed with an appraisal review board on or after the effective date  
17 of this Act.

18 (b) This Act applies to a protest, petition, or motion filed  
19 with an appraisal review board before the effective date of this Act  
20 if the board has not held a hearing on the protest, petition, or  
21 motion as of the effective date of this Act.

22 (c) For purposes of the application of Section 41.01(c), Tax  
23 Code, as added by this Act, a protest, petition, or motion described  
24 by Subsection (b) of this section is considered to have been filed

1 on the effective date of this Act.

2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.