By: Smithee H.B. No. 3698

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3698:

By: Kolkhorst C.S.H.B. No. 3698

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the appointment of county auditors.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 84.002, Local Government Code, is
- 5 amended to read as follows:
- 6 Sec. 84.002. APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY AUDITOR. (a) In a
- 7 county with a population of 10,500 [10,200] or more, the district
- 8 judges shall appoint a county auditor.
- 9 (b) In a county with a population of less than 10,500
- 10 $[\frac{10,200}{}]$:
- 11 (1) the district judges may appoint a county auditor
- 12 if the judges determine that the county's financial circumstances
- 13 warrant the appointment; and
- 14 (2) the district judges shall appoint a county auditor
- 15 if:
- 16 (A) the commissioners court finds that a county
- 17 auditor is necessary to carry out county business and enters an
- 18 order in its minutes stating the reason for this finding;
- 19 (B) the order is certified to the district
- 20 judges; and
- (C) the district judges find the reason stated by
- 22 the commissioners court to be good and sufficient.
- 23 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 24 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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- 1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 3 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.