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S.B. No. 283

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the number of members of the Texas Historical Commission.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 442.002(b) and (c), Government Code, are amended to read as follows:

(b) The commission is composed of nine [~~17~~] members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. A person may not be a member of the commission if the person or the person's spouse:

(1) owns or controls, directly or indirectly, more than a 10 percent interest in a business entity or other organization regulated by the commission or receiving money other than grant money from the commission;

(2) uses or receives a substantial amount of tangible goods, services, or money from the commission, other than compensation or reimbursement authorized by law for commission membership, attendance, or expenses; or

(3) is employed by or participates in the management of a business entity or other organization regulated by or receiving money other than grant money from the commission.

(c) Members serve for staggered six-year terms, with the terms of [~~approximately~~] one-third of the members expiring February 1 of each odd-numbered year.

1 SECTION 2. (a) Of the five positions on the Texas Historical
2 Commission that have terms scheduled to expire on February 1, 2015,
3 two of the positions are abolished on September 1, 2013.

4 (b) Of the six positions on the Texas Historical Commission
5 that have terms scheduled to expire on February 1, 2017, three of
6 the positions are abolished on September 1, 2013.

7 (c) Of the six positions on the Texas Historical Commission
8 that have terms scheduled to expire on February 1, 2019, three of
9 the positions are abolished on September 1, 2013.

10 (d) On or before September 1, 2013, the governor shall
11 designate which members' positions shall be abolished on September
12 1, 2013, and shall inform the presiding officer of the Texas
13 Historical Commission which positions are abolished.

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