

By: Nelson  
(Fallon)

S.B. No. 747

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the term for the independent ombudsman for state  
3 supported living centers.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 555.053, Health and Safety Code, is  
6 amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c) to  
7 read as follows:

8 (a) The governor shall appoint the independent ombudsman  
9 for a term of two years expiring February 1 of odd-numbered years.

10 (c) A person appointed as independent ombudsman may be  
11 reappointed.

12 SECTION 2. A person serving as the independent ombudsman on  
13 the effective date of this Act shall serve as the independent  
14 ombudsman until February 1, 2015, unless otherwise removed by the  
15 governor.

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