

Amend **HB 1596** (house committee printing) as follows:

(1) On page 2, strike lines 5 and 6 and substitute the following:

providing for the imposition of an ad valorem tax [~~at a rate not to exceed 75 cents on each \$100 valuation~~] on all taxable property

(2) Strike page 2, line 21, through page 4, line 14, and substitute the following:

SECTION 5. Section 1122.051, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1122.051. DIRECTORS; TERM. (a) If the creation of the district is approved at the election held under Section 1122.021, the district shall be governed by a [~~nine-member~~] board of 10 directors, appointed as follows:

(1) the county judge of Hidalgo County shall appoint one director;

(2) each county commissioner serving on the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court shall appoint one director [~~four directors~~];

(3) [~~2~~] the governing body of the most populous municipality [~~with the largest population~~] in Hidalgo County shall appoint two directors; and

(4) [~~3~~] the governing bodies of the second, third, and fourth most populous municipalities [~~body of the municipality with the second largest population~~] in Hidalgo County shall each appoint one director [~~+~~]

[~~4~~] the governing body of a municipality with the third largest population in Hidalgo County shall appoint one director, and

[~~5~~] the governing body of a municipality with the fourth largest population in Hidalgo County shall appoint one director.

(b) Directors serve staggered three-year [~~four-year~~] terms, with three or four [~~as near as possible to one-fourth of the~~] directors' terms expiring each year. The [~~terms of the~~] initial directors appointed under this section shall draw lots as follows to determine [~~are as follows~~]:

(1) for the directors appointed by the governing

bodies of the municipalities in Hidalgo County described by Subsection (a), [shall draw lots to determine] which two directors serve a one-year term, which two directors serve [~~director serves~~] a two-year term, and which director serves a three-year term[, and ~~which director serves a four-year term~~]; and

(2) for the directors appointed by the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court, including the director appointed by the county judge of Hidalgo County, [shall draw lots to determine] which two directors serve [~~director serves~~] a one-year term, which director serves a two-year term, and which two directors serve [~~director serves~~] a three-year term[, and ~~which director serves a four-year term~~].

(c) On expiration of the initial directors' terms, successor directors shall be appointed for a three-year term by the person or governing body that appointed the initial director.

(d) A director may not serve more than three [~~two~~] consecutive three-year [~~four-year~~] terms.

(3) On page 5, lines 5 and 6, strike "Section 1122.056, Special District Local Laws Code, is" and substitute "Sections 1122.056 and 1122.057, Special District Local Laws Code, are".

(4) On page 5, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

Sec. 1122.057. VOTING REQUIREMENT. A concurrence of a majority of the directors voting is necessary in matters relating to district business. In the event of a tie vote among the directors, the county judge of Hidalgo County may cast the deciding vote.