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H.B. No. 1133

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the composition of the Texas Military Preparedness Commission.

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

SECTION 1. Section 436.051(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The commission is composed of:

(1) 13 public members, appointed by the governor; and

(2) the following ex officio members:

(A) the chair of the committee of the Texas House of Representatives that has primary jurisdiction of matters concerning defense affairs and military affairs; ~~and~~

(B) the chair of the committee of the Texas Senate that has primary jurisdiction of matters concerning defense affairs and military affairs; and

(C) the adjutant general.

SECTION 2. The heading to Section 436.052, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 436.052. TERMS AND OFFICERS; EX OFFICIO MEMBERS; DESIGNATION OF REPRESENTATIVE.

SECTION 3. Section 436.052, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a) The 13 public members of the commission serve staggered

1 terms of six years with the terms of four or five members expiring  
2 February 1 of each odd-numbered year. A legislative member vacates  
3 the person's position on the commission if the person ceases to be  
4 the chair of the applicable legislative committee. The ex officio  
5 member of the commission described by Section 436.051(a)(2)(C)  
6 vacates the person's position on the commission if the person  
7 ceases to hold the position that qualifies the person for service on  
8 the commission.

9 (a-1) The ex officio member of the commission described by  
10 Section 436.051(a)(2)(C) may designate a representative to serve on  
11 the commission in the member's absence. A representative  
12 designated under this subsection must be an officer or employee of  
13 the state agency the ex officio member serves.

14 SECTION 4. Section 436.053, Government Code, is amended to  
15 read as follows:

16 Sec. 436.053. COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES. (a) A public  
17 member of the commission is not entitled to compensation but is  
18 entitled to reimbursement, from commission funds, for the travel  
19 expenses incurred by the member while conducting the business of  
20 the commission, as provided by the General Appropriations Act.

21 (b) The entitlement of a legislative member to compensation  
22 or reimbursement for travel expenses is governed by the law  
23 applying to the member's service in that underlying position, and  
24 any payments to the member shall be made from the appropriate funds  
25 of the applicable house of the legislature.

26 (c) The entitlement of the ex officio member described by  
27 Section 436.051(a)(2)(C) to compensation or to reimbursement for

1 travel expenses incurred while transacting commission business is  
2 governed by the law that applies to the member's service in that  
3 underlying position, and any payment to the member for either  
4 purpose must be made from money that may be used for the purpose and  
5 is available to the state agency that the member serves in that  
6 underlying position.

7       SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.