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H.B. No. 1161

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) 15 ~~[13]~~ public members~~[7]~~ appointed by the governor, each of whom must represent one of the federal military installations in the state; 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.

SECTION 2. Section 436.052(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The 15 ~~[13]~~ public members of the commission serve staggered terms of six years with the terms of ~~[four or]~~ five members expiring February 1 of each odd-numbered year. A legislative member vacates the person's position on the commission if the person ceases to be the chair of the applicable legislative

1 committee.

2 SECTION 3. (a) Not later than December 1, 2015, the governor
3 shall appoint two additional members to the Texas Military
4 Preparedness Commission. As provided by Section 436.051(a),
5 Government Code, as amended by this Act, the two new members of the
6 commission must each represent one of the federal military
7 installations in the state. At the first meeting of the Texas
8 Military Preparedness Commission after the additional members are
9 appointed under this subsection, or as soon as practicable after
10 that meeting, the two new members of the commission shall draw lots
11 to determine which member will serve a term expiring February 1,
12 2019, and which member will serve a term expiring February 1, 2021.

13 (b) The change in law made by this Act to Section
14 436.051(a), Government Code, regarding the qualifications of
15 members of the Texas Military Preparedness Commission does not
16 affect the entitlement of a member serving on the commission
17 immediately before the effective date of this Act to continue to
18 serve for the remainder of the member's term. As terms expire and
19 vacancies occur on the commission on and after the effective date of
20 this Act, the governor shall appoint or reappoint members to the
21 commission with qualifications that reflect the change in law made
22 by this Act to Section 436.051(a), Government Code.

23 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.