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H.B. No. 1207

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the election dates for directors of the Bandera County River Authority and Groundwater District.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 654, Acts of the 71st Legislature, Regular Session, 1989, is amended by adding Section 1A and amending Section 10 to read as follows:

Sec. 1A. REFERENCE IN LAW MEANING BANDERA COUNTY RIVER AUTHORITY AND GROUNDWATER DISTRICT. The district name is the Bandera County River Authority and Groundwater District. A reference in law to the Springhills Water Management District means the Bandera County River Authority and Groundwater District.

Sec. 10. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS. (a) Directors serve staggered four-year terms.

(b) Every two years [~~On the first Saturday in May of the second year after the year in which the district is authorized to be created at a confirmation election,~~] an election shall be held in the district on the uniform election date in November for the election of the appropriate number of directors. Two directors shall be elected from each commissioner precinct and one director shall be elected at large. The director elected from each commissioner precinct who receives the fewer number of votes shall serve a two-year term, and the director elected from each commissioner precinct who receives the most votes and the director

1 elected at large shall serve a four-year term. Thereafter, on the
2 same date in each subsequent second year, the appropriate number of
3 directors shall be elected to the board.

4 SECTION 2. The term of a director elected to the board of
5 the Bandera County River Authority and Groundwater District in May
6 2013 expires on December 1, 2016, and the term of a director elected
7 to the board in May 2015 expires December 1, 2018.

8 SECTION 3. (a) The legislature finds that the Bandera
9 County River Authority and Groundwater District was originally
10 created by Chapter 629, Acts of the 62nd Legislature, Regular
11 Session, 1971, as the Bandera County River Authority, and then
12 modified or merged by Chapter 654, Acts of the 71st Legislature,
13 Regular Session, 1989, as the Springhills Water Management
14 District.

15 (b) The legislature further finds that the Springhills
16 Water Management District was renamed the Bandera County River
17 Authority and Groundwater District in 2003.

18 SECTION 4. (a) The legal notice of the intention to
19 introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this
20 Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a
21 copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies,
22 officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished
23 under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313,
24 Government Code.

25 (b) The governor has submitted the notice and Act to the
26 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

27 (c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed

1 its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the
2 lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of
3 representatives within the required time.

4 (d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this
5 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect
6 to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled
7 and accomplished.

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