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H.B. No. 3895

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to ad valorem tax protests and appeals.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 41, Tax Code, is amended by adding Section 41.445 to read as follows:

Sec. 41.445. INFORMAL CONFERENCE. (a) A property owner who files a notice of protest may request an informal conference with the appraisal office before a hearing on the protest under Section 41.45. The request must be in writing and must be delivered to the appraisal office not later than the 15th day before the date of the scheduled hearing on the protest. The appraisal office shall meet with the property owner if the office receives a timely request under this section.

(b) An appraisal office may not hold an informal conference with a property owner who has not filed a notice of protest.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.