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S.B. No. 1461

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the appointment and terms of the board of hospital managers of the Dallas County Hospital District.

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

SECTION 1. Section 281.021, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

(f) The Dallas County Hospital District is governed by a board composed of 11 members, appointed as follows:

(1) the Dallas County Commissioners Court shall appoint one member;

(2) each commissioner on the Dallas County Commissioners Court shall appoint two members; and

(3) the county judge of Dallas County shall appoint two members.

SECTION 2. Section 281.022, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(e) The members of the board of hospital managers of the Dallas County Hospital District serve staggered three-year terms, with as near as possible to one-third of the members' terms expiring each year.

SECTION 3. (a) The members of the board of hospital managers of the Dallas County Hospital District serving on the effective date of this Act may draw lots or use another method to determine the members, the number of whom must be as near as

1 possible to one-third of the total number of members, who shall
2 serve terms that expire in 2018, the members, the number of whom
3 must be as near as possible to one-third of the total number of
4 members, who shall serve terms that expire in 2017, and the members,
5 the number of whom must be as near as possible to one-third of the
6 total number of members, who shall serve terms that expire in 2016.
7 The members of the board appointed to succeed the members serving on
8 the effective date of this Act shall serve three-year terms.

9 (b) At the time the terms of the board of hospital managers
10 of the Dallas County Hospital District are determined under
11 Subsection (a) of this section, the Dallas County Commissioners
12 Court shall establish the specific date on which the terms of
13 members of the board of hospital managers shall expire each year.

14 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
15 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
16 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
17 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
18 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.