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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

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1 Amend C.S.H.B. No. 1818 (house committee printing) by adding
2 the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS and renumbering the
3 subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

4 SECTION _____. Subchapter B, Chapter 81, Natural Resources
5 Code, is amended by adding Section 81.010015 to read as follows:

6 Sec. 81.010015. ELECTION AND TERMS OF COMMISSIONERS. (a)
7 The commission is composed of three commissioners elected at the
8 general election for state and county officers.

9 (b) Commissioners are elected from numbered single-member
10 districts. The boundaries of the districts are the boundaries
11 provided by law.

12 (c) Commissioners serve staggered terms of six years, with
13 the term of one commissioner expiring December 31 of each
14 even-numbered year.

15 SECTION _____. Section 81.01002, Natural Resources Code, is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Sec. 81.01002. CHAIRMAN. One commissioner serves [~~The~~
18 ~~commissioners shall elect one commissioner~~] as the chairman. The
19 chairman of the commission serves a two-year term expiring December
20 31 of each odd-numbered year. The position of chairman rotates
21 among the commissioners in numerical order in accordance with the
22 number of the single-member district represented by the
23 commissioner. The chairman shall ensure that the commission
24 executes and implements the commission's administrative duties and
25 responsibilities.

26 SECTION _____. Sections 52.092(c) and (d), Election Code,
27 are amended to read as follows:

28 (c) Statewide offices of the state government shall be
29 listed in the following order:

- 1 (1) governor;
- 2 (2) lieutenant governor;
- 3 (3) attorney general;
- 4 (4) comptroller of public accounts;
- 5 (5) commissioner of the General Land Office;
- 6 (6) commissioner of agriculture;
- 7 (7) ~~railroad commissioner,~~
- 8 ~~[(9)]~~ chief justice, supreme court;
- 9 (8) ~~[(9)]~~ justice, supreme court;
- 10 (9) ~~[(10)]~~ presiding judge, court of criminal
- 11 appeals;
- 12 (10) ~~[(11)]~~ judge, court of criminal appeals.

13 (d) District offices of the state government shall be listed
14 in the following order:

- 15 (1) member, State Board of Education;
- 16 (2) state senator;
- 17 (3) state representative;
- 18 (4) chief justice, court of appeals;
- 19 (5) justice, court of appeals;
- 20 (6) district judge;
- 21 (7) criminal district judge;
- 22 (8) family district judge;
- 23 (9) district attorney;
- 24 (10) criminal district attorney;
- 25 (11) commissioner, Railroad Commission of Texas.

26 SECTION _____. The terms of the commissioners of the
27 Railroad Commission of Texas serving on the effective date of this
28 Act expire December 31, 2018. Three commissioners of the Railroad
29 Commission of Texas shall be elected from the single-member
30 districts provided by law at the general election for state and
31 county officers in 2018. Not later than February 1, 2019, the

1 commissioners elected shall draw lots to determine which
2 commissioner's term expires December 31, 2020, which commissioner's
3 term expires December 31, 2022, and which commissioner's term
4 expires December 31, 2024. The commissioner elected from District
5 1 serves the initial term as the chairman of the commission
6 following the election.