

1-1 By: Creighton S.B. No. 521  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 18, 2017; February 6, 2017,  
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Finance; May 4, 2017,  
 1-4 reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 3;  
 1-5 May 4, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Nelson	X			
1-8 Hinojosa	X			
1-9 Bettencourt	X			
1-10 Birdwell	X			
1-11 Hancock	X			
1-12 Huffman	X			
1-13 Kolthorst	X			
1-14 Nichols	X			
1-15 Schwertner			X	
1-16 Seliger	X			
1-17 Taylor of Galveston	X			
1-18 Uresti		X		
1-19 Watson		X		
1-20 West	X			
1-21 Whitmire		X		

1-23 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-24 AN ACT

1-25 relating to the qualifications required of an appraisal district  
 1-26 employee in order to testify as to the value of real property in  
 1-27 certain ad valorem tax appeals.

1-28 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-29 SECTION 1. Section 42.23(i), Tax Code, as effective January  
 1-30 1, 2020, is amended to read as follows:

1-31 (i) An [If an] appraisal district employee may not testify  
 1-32 [testifies] as to the value of real property in an appeal under  
 1-33 Section 42.25 or 42.26 unless the person is[, the court may give  
 1-34 preference to an employee who is a person] authorized to perform an  
 1-35 appraisal of real estate under Section 1103.201, Occupations Code.

1-36 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding Section 14(b), Chapter 481 (S.B.  
 1-37 1760), Acts of the 84th Legislature, Regular Session, 2015, Section  
 1-38 42.23(i), Tax Code, as added by that Act and amended by this Act,  
 1-39 takes effect September 1, 2017.

1-40 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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