

AN ACT

relating to the composition of the Texas Historical Commission.

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

SECTION 1. Section 442.002(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The commission is composed of 15 [~~nine~~] members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. One member must have expertise in archeology, preferably as a professional archeologist, one must have expertise in history, preferably as a professional historian, and one must have expertise in architecture, preferably as a professional architect who is licensed in this state and has expertise in historic preservation and architectural history. The remaining members must represent the general public. A person is [~~may~~] not eligible for appointment as [~~be~~] a member of the commission if the person or the person's spouse:

(1) owns or controls, directly or indirectly, more than a 10 percent interest in a business entity or other organization regulated by the commission or receiving money other than grant money from the commission;

(2) uses or receives a substantial amount of tangible goods, services, or money from the commission, other than compensation or reimbursement authorized by law for commission membership, attendance, or expenses; or

1 (3) is employed by or participates in the management
2 of a business entity or other organization regulated by or
3 receiving money other than grant money from the commission.

4 SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date
5 of this Act, the governor shall appoint six additional members to
6 the Texas Historical Commission as required by Section 442.002(b),
7 Government Code, as amended by this Act. In appointing the
8 additional members to the commission, the governor shall appoint:

9 (1) two members, including one member with archeology
10 expertise, to terms expiring February 1, 2019;

11 (2) two members, including one member with history
12 expertise, to terms expiring February 1, 2021; and

13 (3) two members, including one member with
14 architecture expertise, to terms expiring February 1, 2023.

15 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 763 passed the Senate on April 3, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 763 passed the House on May 4, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 134, Nays 10, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor