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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

BY: Paddie

1 Amend C.S.S.B. No. 601 (house committee report) as follows:
2 (1) Strike page 7, line 24, through page 9, line 15, and
3 substitute the following:

4 SECTION 6. Section 434.033, Government Code, is amended by
5 amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (b-1) to read as
6 follows:

7 (b) To be appointed as an officer a person must:
8 (1) be qualified by education and training for the
9 duties of the office; and

10 (2) be experienced in the law, regulations, and
11 rulings of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs
12 controlling cases that come before the commission[~~, and~~

13 [~~(3) have the service experience specified by~~
14 ~~Subsection (c) or be:~~

15 [~~(A) a widowed Gold Star Mother or unremarried~~
16 ~~widow of a serviceman or veteran whose death resulted from service;~~

17 [~~(B) the spouse of a disabled veteran who has a~~
18 ~~total disability rating based either on having a service-connected~~
19 ~~disability with a disability rating of 100 percent or on individual~~
20 ~~unemployability; or~~

21 [~~(C) the spouse of a retired veteran who served a~~
22 ~~minimum of 20 years on active duty].~~

23 (b-1) In appointing an officer, the commissioners court
24 shall give preference to a veteran who qualifies for a veteran's
25 employment preference under Chapter 657. A commissioners court
26 shall adopt and implement a county policy to give preference in
27 appointing officers to veterans.

28 (2) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the
29 bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

1 SECTION _____. Section 434.033(c), Government Code, is
2 repealed.