By:  White (Senate Sponsor - Nichols) H.B. No. 1570

(In the Senate - Received from the House April 15, 2019; April 16, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental Relations; May 6, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 6, 2019, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

                    Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Lucio                X

Schwertner           X

Alvarado             X

Campbell             X

Fallon               X

Menéndez                       X

Nichols              X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the board of directors of the Rayburn Country Municipal Utility District.

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

SECTION 1.  Sections 7(a) and (e), Chapter 1086, Acts of the 70th Legislature, Regular Session, 1987, are amended to read as follows:

(a)  The district is governed by a board of five [~~seven~~] directors.

(e)  If any of the directors listed in Subsection (d) of this section fails to qualify for office, the remaining directors shall appoint someone to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term. If at any time the number of qualified directors is less than three [~~four~~] because of the failure or refusal of one or more directors to qualify or serve, because of death or incapacitation, or for any other reason, the Commissioners Court of Jasper County shall appoint the necessary number of directors to fill all vacancies on the board.

SECTION 2.  Section 9, Chapter 1086, Acts of the 70th Legislature, Regular Session, 1987, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9.  ELECTION OF DIRECTORS. An [~~Beginning in the second year following the confirmation and directors' election, an~~] election shall be held on the uniform election date [~~third Saturday~~] in May in each even-numbered year [~~every two years~~] to elect the appropriate number of directors to the board.

SECTION 3.  Section 7(g), Chapter 1086, Acts of the 70th Legislature, Regular Session, 1987, is repealed.

SECTION 4. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), the changes in law made by this Act do not affect the entitlement of a member serving on the board of directors of the Rayburn Country Municipal Utility District immediately before the effective date of this Act to continue to serve as a member of the board for the remainder of the member's term.

(b)  On the effective date of this Act, positions 6 and 7, as designated by the district, are abolished.

SECTION 5.  (a) The legal notice of the intention to introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies, officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313, Government Code.

(b)  The governor, one of the required recipients, has submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

(c)  The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of representatives within the required time.

(d)  All requirements of the constitution and laws of this state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled and accomplished.

SECTION 6.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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