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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the deadline to appeal administrative decisions of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter F, Chapter 825, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 825.521 to read as follows:

Sec. 825.521.  DEADLINE TO APPEAL. A period established by law or rule during which a member or retiree may appeal an administrative decision of an employee of the retirement system, including the executive director, may not begin before the eighth day after the date the employee notifies the member or retiree of the decision. The notice required by this section must be made in accordance with rules of the board of trustees.

SECTION 2.  As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the board of trustees of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas shall adopt rules necessary to implement the change in law made by this Act.

SECTION 3.  The change in law made by this Act applies only to the appeal of an administrative decision of an employee of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas made on or after January 1, 2020. An appeal of a decision made before January 1, 2020, is governed by the law as it existed immediately before the effective date of this Act and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 4.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.