H.B. No. 4075

AN ACT

relating to the dissolution of fire control, prevention, and emergency medical services districts.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 344.260(a), Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a)  If less than a majority of the votes cast in a continuation referendum election are for the continuation of a district or if a majority of the votes cast in a dissolution referendum are for dissolution of the district:

(1)  the board shall certify that fact to the secretary of state not later than the 10th day after the date of the canvass of the returns; and

(2)  the district is dissolved and ceases to operate as provided by Section 344.301.

SECTION 2.  Section 344.301, Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 344.301.  TIME FOR DISSOLUTION OF DISTRICT. (a) A district is dissolved on the first uniform election date that occurs after the fifth anniversary of [~~five years after~~] the date the municipality began to impose taxes for district purposes if the district has not held a continuation or dissolution referendum.

(b)  The district is dissolved on the first uniform election date that occurs after the fifth anniversary of the date of the most recent continuation or dissolution referendum.

(c)  Subsection (b) does not apply to a district that is continued under Section 344.251(g), and that district is dissolved on the first uniform election date that occurs after the end [~~expiration~~] of the period for which it was continued.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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    President of the Senate Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 4075 was passed by the House on May 7, 2019, by the following vote:  Yeas 143, Nays 3, 2 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 4075 was passed by the Senate on May 22, 2019, by the following vote:  Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED:  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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                  Governor