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By:  Fallon S.B. No. 1146

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the eligibility of certain local officials to serve as the chief appraiser of an appraisal district or as the assessor for a taxing unit that operates an appraisal office.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 6.035, Tax Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-2) to read as follows:

(a-2)  In a county with a population of more than 20,000, an individual who is an elected or appointed officer of a taxing unit located wholly or partly in the appraisal district established for the county is disqualified from:

(1)  employment as chief appraiser of the appraisal district; or

(2)  service as the assessor for a taxing unit that performs the duties of the appraisal office for the appraisal district pursuant to a contract under Section 6.05.

SECTION 2.  An individual who on the effective date of this Act is employed as a chief appraiser or is serving as the assessor for a taxing unit that performs the duties of an appraisal office pursuant to a contract under Section 6.05, Tax Code, and who would be disqualified from serving in that position under Section 6.035(a-2), Tax Code, as added by this Act, must resign or be removed from that position not later than December 31, 2019.

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