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H.B. No. 1725

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to retired members of the Texas State Guard.

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

SECTION 1. Section 437.309, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 437.309. TEXAS STATE GUARD RETIRED STATUS [~~HONORARY RESERVE~~]. (a) The governor, or adjutant general under the governor's authority and direction, may place on retired status [~~transfer to the Texas State Guard Honorary Reserve~~] an officer or enlisted service member of the Texas State Guard who on separation from the Texas State Guard:

(1) is physically disabled as a result of service [~~+~~

~~(2) is at least 60 years of age~~]; or

(2) [~~(3)~~] has served the federal or state military satisfactorily for at least 20 years, with at least five years of service in the Texas State Guard.

(b) The governor, or adjutant general under the governor's authority and direction, may advance the service member one grade or rank at the time of the transfer to retired status [~~into the honorary reserve. For a service member who is not a general officer, the adjutant general may advance the service member one grade or rank at the time of the transfer into the honorary reserve~~].

SECTION 2. Section 437.308(a), Government Code, is amended

1 to read as follows:

2 (a) The commander of the Texas State Guard shall maintain
3 and preserve the individual and unit records of the Texas State
4 Guard and the officers or service members placed on retired status
5 [~~the Texas State Guard Honorary Reserve~~].

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