

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 FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION. In adopting rules governing the appeal of a final administrative decision of the retirement system, the board of trustees shall ensure that rules establishing deadlines for the filing of an appeal afford a member or retiree at least the same amount of time to file an appeal as the retirement system has to issue the retirement system's decision.

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 Section 825.521, Government Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3. Rules adopted under Section 825.521, Government Code, as added by this Act, may apply only to the appeal of an administrative decision of an employee of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas that is made on or after January 1, 2020.

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2629 was passed by the House on May 3, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2629 was passed by the Senate on May 22, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor