

1-1 By: Dean (Senate Sponsor - Hughes) H.B. No. 3203
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2019;
1-3 May 10, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Intergovernmental Relations; May 17, 2019, reported favorably by
1-5 the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 17, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the division of certain emergency services districts.
1-18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-19 SECTION 1. Section 775.221, Health and Safety Code, is
1-20 amended to read as follows:
1-21 Sec. 775.221. AUTHORITY TO DIVIDE DISTRICT. (a) This
1-22 subchapter applies only to a district located wholly in:
1-23 (1) a county with a population of 20,000 or less; or
1-24 (2) a county with a population of more than 30,000 but
1-25 less than 41,000 that is adjacent to a county with a population of
1-26 more than 200,000 but less than 220,000.
1-27 (b) The board of a district described by Subsection (a)
1-28 [~~located wholly in one county with a population of 20,000 or less~~]
1-29 may create a new district by disannexing territory from the
1-30 existing district and ordering a new district to be created in the
1-31 disannexed territory in the manner provided by this subchapter.
1-32 SECTION 2. Section 775.223(c), Health and Safety Code, is
1-33 amended to read as follows:
1-34 (c) The [~~If the board finds that the petition contains the~~
1-35 ~~number of signatures required under Section 775.222(a), the~~] board
1-36 shall approve the petition not later than the 10th day after the
1-37 date of the hearing if the board finds that:
1-38 (1) the petition contains the number of signatures
1-39 required under Section 775.222(a); and
1-40 (2) the proposed division is feasible.
1-41 SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act to Section
1-42 775.223(c), Health and Safety Code, applies only to the division of
1-43 an emergency services district the petition for which is submitted
1-44 on or after the effective date of this Act. The division of an
1-45 emergency services district the petition for which is submitted
1-46 before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in
1-47 effect on the date the petition is submitted, and the former law is
1-48 continued in effect for that purpose.
1-49 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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