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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the term of office for certain trustees of an independent school district.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 11.059, Education Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(a)  Except as provided by Subsection (e), a [~~A~~] trustee of an independent school district serves a term of three or four years.

(e)  If a trustee votes in favor of making a severance payment, as defined by Section 11.201(c), to the superintendent of the school district less than one year after the trustee voted in favor of accepting or extending the superintendent's contract or increasing the superintendent's salary, the trustee must, to retain a position on the board, seek reelection at the next regularly scheduled trustee election, regardless of the time remaining on the trustee's term. The person elected at the election held under this subsection shall serve for the remainder of the trustee's term.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2021.