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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the composition of the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

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

SECTION 1.  Sections 12.051(a) and (b), Utilities Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a)  The commission is composed of five [~~three~~] commissioners appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate.

(b)  An appointment to the commission shall be made without regard to the race, color, disability, sex, religion, age, or national origin of the appointee. The appointments shall be made to reflect the diverse geographic regions of this state.

SECTION 2.  The governor shall promptly appoint two commissioners to the Public Utility Commission of Texas in accordance with Section 12.051, Utilities Code, as amended by this Act. The governor shall designate one commissioner to a term that expires September 1, 2025, and one commissioner to a term that expires September 1, 2027.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.