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H.B. No. 1328

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the composition of the Board of Pardons and Paroles.

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

SECTION 1. Section 508.031, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a-1) The board must include at least:

(1) one member who is a physician;

(2) one member who is a former offender; and

(3) one member who is a member of the clergy.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act does not affect the entitlement of a member serving on the Board of Pardons and Paroles immediately before the effective date of this Act to continue to serve for the remainder of the member's term. As the terms of members expire, the governor shall appoint or reappoint members who have the qualifications required by Section 508.031, Government Code, as amended by this Act.

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