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H.B. No. 4345

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the authority and jurisdiction conferred to the State Commission on Judicial Conduct.

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

SECTION 1. Section Sec. 33.001(a)(8), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(8) "Judge" means a justice, judge, master, magistrate, or retired or former judge as described by Section 1-a, Article V, Texas Constitution, including a candidate for a judicial office subject to the Judicial Campaign Fairness Act, or other person who performs the functions of the justice, judge, master, magistrate, or retired or former judge.

SECTION 2. Section Sec. 33.002, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-2) to read as follows:

(a-2) The State Commission on Judicial Conduct shall have the authority to enforce the Code of Judicial Conduct and administer discipline as it relates to judicial candidates.

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