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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

Relating to the list of retired and former judges subject to assignment.

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

SECTION 1.  Sec. 74.055 (c), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Each presiding judge shall maintain a list of retired and former judges who meet the requirements of this section.

(b) The presiding judge shall divide the list into area specialties of criminal, civil, or domestic relations cases. A retired or former judge may only be assigned to a case in the judge's area of specialty. A judge may qualify for assignment in more than one area of specialty.

(c) To be eligible to be named on the list, a retired or former judge must:

(1) have served as an active judge for at least 96 months in a district, statutory probate, statutory county, ~~or~~ appellate court, constitutional county or justice of the peace.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect September 1, 2023.