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S.B. No. 2338

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the appointment of members to policy boards of certain metropolitan planning organizations.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 472, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 472.037 to read as follows:

Sec. 472.037. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO CERTAIN POLICY BOARDS. (a) This section applies only to a metropolitan planning organization that serves a county with a population of more than four million.

(b) Counties served by a metropolitan planning organization described by Subsection (a) shall appoint voting members to the organization's policy board as follows:

(1) a county with a population of four million or more shall appoint two members;

(2) a county with a population of less than four million but more than 45,000 shall appoint one member; and

(3) a county with a population of 45,000 or less, together with an adjacent county with a population of 45,000 or less, shall jointly appoint one member.

(c) Municipalities served by a metropolitan planning organization described by Subsection (a) shall appoint voting members to the organization's policy board as follows:

(1) a municipality with a population of two million or

1 more shall appoint two members; and

2 (2) a municipality with a population of less than two
3 million but more than 25,000 shall appoint one member.

4 (d) The department shall appoint three members to the policy
5 board of a metropolitan planning organization described by
6 Subsection (a).

7 (e) A metropolitan transit authority or rail district
8 served by a metropolitan planning organization described by
9 Subsection (a) shall appoint one voting member to the
10 organization's policy board.

11 (f) A port authority located in a municipality with a
12 population of more than two million that is served by a metropolitan
13 planning organization described by Subsection (a) shall appoint one
14 voting member to the organization's policy board.

15 (g) The governor shall appoint two voting members to the
16 policy board of a metropolitan planning organization described by
17 Subsection (a).

18 (h) Each member of a policy board of a metropolitan planning
19 organization described by Subsection (a) is entitled to one vote.

20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.