

Amend **SB 2406** (house committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering the SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Section 3, Chapter 110, Acts of the 51st Legislature, Regular Session, 1949, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3. The management and control of all of the affairs of the district shall be vested in the Board of Directors, consisting of nine (9) members, each of whom shall be a freehold property taxpayer and a legal voter of the State of Texas. Such Board of Directors shall be appointed by the Governor of Texas [~~as soon as practicable after the passage of this Act~~] and confirmed by the Senate[~~, one-third of the members to be appointed for a term of two (2) years, one-third of the members to be appointed for a term of four (4) years, and the remaining members to be appointed for a term of six (6) years~~]. [~~Upon the expiration of the respective terms of said~~] Directors [~~the successors of each and all of them~~] shall be appointed [~~thereafter~~] for staggered terms [~~a term~~] of four [~~six (6)~~] years. Four members of the Board of Directors must each reside within a county located in the upper basin of the Sabine River, including Collin, Rockwall, Kaufman, Hunt, Rains, Van Zandt, Hopkins, Franklin, Wood, Smith, Upshur, Gregg, Harrison, and Rusk counties. Four members of the Board of Directors must each reside within a county located in the lower basin of the Sabine River, including Panola, Shelby, San Augustine, Sabine, Jasper, Newton, and Orange counties. One member of the Board of Directors must reside within any county situated wholly or partially within the watershed of the Sabine River. The Directors shall hold office after their appointment and qualification until their successors shall be appointed and qualified. Should any vacancy occur in the Board of Directors the same may be filled in like manner by the Governor of Texas for the unexpired term. The Directors appointed shall within fifteen (15) days after their appointment qualify by taking the official oath and filing a good and sufficient bond with the Secretary of State; the official bond of each Director to be in the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000), and shall be payable to the district, shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance of official duties of such Director, and shall be subject to approval

by the Secretary of State of the State of Texas.

SECTION _____. (a) Notwithstanding the changes in law made by this Act in Section 3, Chapter 110, Acts of the 51st Legislature, Regular Session, 1949, and except as provided by Subsection (b) of this section, a director of the Sabine River Authority of Texas serving on the effective date of this Act shall continue in office until the member's successor is appointed and qualifies for office.

(b) At the first meeting of the board of directors of the Sabine River Authority of Texas that follows the effective date of this Act, the three directors of the Sabine River Authority of Texas whose terms would expire on July 6, 2031, shall draw lots to determine which two directors will serve terms that expire on July 6, 2029, and which director will serve a term that expires on July 6, 2027.