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H.B. No. 4088

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the qualifications for jury service.

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

SECTION 1. Section 62.102, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 62.102. GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR JURY SERVICE. A person is disqualified to serve as a petit juror unless the person:

- (1) is at least 18 years of age;
- (2) is a citizen of the United States;
- (3) is a resident of this state and of the county in which the person is to serve as a juror;
- (4) is qualified under the constitution and laws to vote in the county in which the person is to serve as a juror;
- (5) is of sound mind and good moral character;
- (6) is able to read and write;
- (7) has not served as a petit juror for six days during the preceding three months in the county court or during the preceding six months in the district court;
- (8) has not been convicted of misdemeanor theft or a felony; ~~and~~

(9) is not under indictment or other legal accusation for misdemeanor theft or a felony; and

(10) has not served as a petit juror for three consecutive months during the preceding 60 months in the county

1 court or district court.

2 SECTION 2. Section [62.102](#), Government Code, as amended by
3 this Act, applies only to the qualifications of a person summoned
4 for jury service on or after the effective date of this Act. The
5 qualifications of a person summoned for jury service before the
6 effective date of this Act are governed by the law in effect on the
7 date the summons was made, and the former law is continued in effect
8 for that purpose.

9 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.