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H.B. No. 4088

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

# 1 AN ACT

2 relating to the qualifications for jury service.

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

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

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

8 (1) is at least 18 years of age;

9 (2) is a citizen of the United States;

10 (3) is a resident of this state and of the county in  
11 which the person is to serve as a juror:

12 (4) is qualified under the constitution and laws to  
13 vote in the county in which the person is to serve as a juror.

14 (5) is of sound mind and good moral character;

15 (6) is able to read and write;  
16 (7) has not served as a petit juror for six days during  
17 the preceding three months in the county court or during the  
18 preceding six months in the district court;

19 (8) has not been convicted of misdemeanor theft or a  
20 felony: [and]

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

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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.