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H. B. No. 5192

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

# 1 AN ACT

2 relating to the operation of certain metropolitan transit  
3 authorities.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 162.356(b), Tax Code, is amended to read  
6 as follows:

23 SECTION 2. Section 451.061(d-1), Transportation Code, is  
24 amended to read as follows:

1                   (d-1) The establishment of or a change to fares, tolls,  
2 charges, rents, and other compensation by an authority [~~confirmed~~  
3 ~~before July 1, 1985,~~] in which the principal municipality has a  
4 population of less than 1.3 million[~~T~~] takes effect immediately on  
5 approval by a majority vote of the board, except that the  
6 establishment of or a change to a single-ride base fare takes effect  
7 on the 60th day after the date the board approves the fare or change  
8 to the fare, unless the policy board of the metropolitan planning  
9 organization that serves the area of the authority disapproves the  
10 fare or change to the fare by a majority vote.

11                  SECTION 3. Section 451.506, Transportation Code, is amended  
12 by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

13                  (b-1) This subsection applies only to an individual serving  
14 on the board of an authority in which the principal municipality has  
15 a population of less than 320,000. For purposes of Subsection (b),  
16 in determining the length of service on the board of an individual  
17 to whom this subsection applies the following periods of service  
18 are excluded:

19                  (1) a period of service that results from the  
20 individual's appointment to fill an unexpired term that occurs  
21 before the individual's first appointment to a full term on the  
22 board; or

23                  (2) a period of service on the board that is  
24 attributable to a term shortened by the individual's appointment as  
25 the board's presiding officer under Section 451.502(e).

26                  SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
27 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section [39](#), Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.