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H.B. No. 5664

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the operation of Wood County Central Hospital District  
of Wood County, Texas.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1116.051(a), Special District Local Laws  
Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The board consists of seven ~~six~~ directors elected from  
the district at large unless the boundaries of the district are  
expanded under Subchapter G or H.

SECTION 2. Section 1116.154, Special District Local Laws  
Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1116.154. ~~[ANNUAL]~~ AUDIT. ~~[(a)]~~ The board ~~[annually]~~  
shall require an independent audit of the district's books and  
records as determined necessary by the board, but in no event less  
often than every three years.

~~[(b) Not later than December 1 of each year, the board shall  
file a copy of the audit with: (1) the comptroller, and (2) the  
district.]~~

SECTION 3. Section 1116.155, Special District Local Laws  
Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1116.155. DEPOSITORY. (a) The board by resolution  
shall select one or more banks inside or outside the district to  
serve ~~[designate a bank in Wood County]~~ as the district's  
depository. ~~[A designated bank serves for two years and until a~~

~~successor is designated.]~~

(b) All district money, other than money invested as provided by Section 1116.156, shall be deposited in the depository and secured in the manner provided for securing county funds.

SECTION 4. Chapter 1116, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Section 1116.156 to read as follows:

Sec. 1116.156. INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS. The board may invest district funds only in funds or securities specified by Chapter 2256, Government Code.

SECTION 5. Following the effective date of this Act, the board shall appoint a temporary director to serve until the date of the regular election of directors in 2026.

SECTION 6. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2025.