By: Hancock S.B. No. 1331

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the repeal of a municipal civil service system for
- 3 firefighters and police officers in certain municipalities.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 143.004(e), Local Government Code, is
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 (e) If the governing body of a municipality with a
- 8 population of less than 70,000 [950,000] that has operated under
- 9 this chapter for at least one year receives a petition requesting an
- 10 election to repeal this chapter that is signed by at least 10
- 11 percent of the qualified voters of the municipality, the governing
- 12 body shall order an election submitting to the voters the question
- 13 on whether this chapter should be repealed. If a majority of the
- 14 qualified voters vote to repeal this chapter, this chapter is void
- 15 in that municipality.
- 16 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 17 to a petition for which an election has not been ordered before the
- 18 effective date of this Act. A petition for which an election has
- 19 been ordered before the effective date of this Act is governed by
- 20 the law in effect when the election was ordered, and the former law
- 21 is continued in effect for that purpose.
- 22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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- 1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 2 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.