By: Morales of Maverick H.B. No. 201

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the authority of the board of trustees of certain small school districts to decrease the number of trustees on the board.

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

SECTION 1. Section 11.051, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) A board of trustees of an independent school district eligible to receive an allotment under Section 48.101(b) that has seven members may by resolution decrease the membership to five if the board certifies to the commissioner that in the two preceding trustee elections the board was unable to fill all trustee seats on the board. A resolution decreasing the number of trustees takes effect with the next regular election of trustees that occurs after the adoption of the resolution and does not shorten the term of any trustee in office when the resolution is adopted. The resolution must provide for a transition in the number of trustees so that when the transition is complete, trustees are elected as provided by Section 11.059.

SECTION 2. 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, 2027.