

1-1 By: Stephenson (Senate Sponsor - Huffman) H.B. No. 1725  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 20, 2015;  
1-3 May 4, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on State  
1-4 Affairs; May 12, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote:  
1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 12, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6	COMMITTEE VOTE				
1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Huffman	X			
1-9	Ellis	X			
1-10	Birdwell	X			
1-11	Creighton	X			
1-12	Estes	X			
1-13	Fraser	X			
1-14	Nelson	X			
1-15	Schwertner	X			
1-16	Zaffirini	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the composition of local boards of the Texas Emergency  
1-20 Services Retirement System.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section [865.012](#), Government Code, is amended by  
1-23 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as  
1-24 follows:

1-25 (a) A local board is composed of:

1-26 (1) one trustee selected by the governing body of the  
1-27 political subdivision of which a participating department is a  
1-28 part;

1-29 (2) except as provided by Subsection (a-1), three  
1-30 trustees who are active members representing a participating  
1-31 department chosen by a majority of the emergency services personnel  
1-32 in the department who are eligible to participate in the pension  
1-33 system; and

1-34 (3) two trustees who are representatives of the  
1-35 political subdivision who are chosen by the other members of the  
1-36 local board.

1-37 (a-1) If a participating department does not have a  
1-38 sufficient number of active members to serve on a local board under  
1-39 Subsection (a)(2), the other members of the local board, or if there  
1-40 are no other members of the local board, the governing body of the  
1-41 political subdivision of which the department is a part shall  
1-42 select one or more trustees to serve under that subdivision. A  
1-43 person selected under this subsection to serve as a trustee must be:

1-44 (1) a retiree of the pension system; or

1-45 (2) a beneficiary of the pension system who is the  
1-46 surviving spouse of a former member or retiree.

1-47 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-48 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-49 provided by Section [39](#), Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-50 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-51 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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