

1-1 By: Lozano (Senate Sponsor - Hinojosa) H.B. No. 2894
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 13, 2015;
 1-3 May 13, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-4 Administration; May 14, 2015, reported favorably by the following
 1-5 vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 14, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Hancock	X			
1-8 Uresti	X			
1-9 Campbell	X			
1-10 Eltife			X	
1-11 Huffines	X			
1-12 Schwertner	X			
1-13 West	X			

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the election of certain county bail bond board members.

1-18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-19 SECTION 1. Section 1704.0535, Occupations Code, is amended
 1-20 to read as follows:

1-21 Sec. 1704.0535. ELECTION OF CERTAIN BAIL BOND [~~SURETY~~]
 1-22 BOARD MEMBERS [~~MEMBER~~]. (a) The board shall annually conduct a
 1-23 secret ballot election to elect the members [~~member~~] of the board
 1-24 who serve [~~serves~~] as the representative of licensed bail bond
 1-25 sureties and the representative of the criminal defense attorneys
 1-26 by electing:

- 1-27 (1) a licensed bail bond surety or agent for a
- 1-28 corporate surety board member; and
- 1-29 (2) a criminal defense attorney who is practicing in
- 1-30 the county.

1-31 (b) Each individual licensed in the county as a bail bond
 1-32 surety or agent for a corporate surety is entitled to cast one vote
 1-33 for each license held to elect the board member who is a surety or
 1-34 agent for a corporate surety.

1-35 (c) Each attorney who has a principal place of business
 1-36 located in the county and who is not legally prohibited from
 1-37 representing criminal defendants in the county is entitled to cast
 1-38 one vote to elect the board member who is a criminal defense
 1-39 attorney.

1-40 (d) Each elected justice of the peace in the county who is
 1-41 not legally prohibited from voting in an election for the purpose is
 1-42 entitled to cast one vote to elect the board member who is a justice
 1-43 of the peace.

1-44 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act regarding the
 1-45 election of certain county bail bond board members do not affect the
 1-46 entitlement of a member serving on a board immediately before the
 1-47 effective date of this Act to continue to serve and function as a
 1-48 member of the board for the remainder of the member's term. Those
 1-49 changes in law apply only to a member elected on or after the
 1-50 effective date of this Act.

1-51 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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