S.B. No. 1468 1-1 By: Watson (In the Senate - Filed March 12, 2015; March 19, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Finance; April 27, 2015, reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute by the 1-2 1-3

1-4 following vote: Yeas 12, Nays 0; April 27, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Nelson	X	-		
1-9	Hinojosa	Х			
1-10	Bettencourt	Х			
1-11	Eltife			X	
1-12	Hancock	X			
1-13	Huffman	X			
1-14	Kolkhorst	X			
1-15	Nichols	X			
1-16	Schwertner	Χ			
1-17	Seliger			X	
1-18	Taylor of Galveston	X			
1-19	Uresti	X			
1-20	Watson	X			
1-21	West	X			
1-22	Whitmire			X	

1-23 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1468

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## 1-24 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-25 AN ACT

relating to certain communications regarding the appointment or conduct of certain appraisal review board members; amending provisions subject to a criminal penalty.

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

SECTION 1. Section 6.41(i), Tax Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (i) This subsection applies only to an appraisal district described by Subsection (d-1). A chief appraiser or another employee or agent of the appraisal district, a member of the appraisal review board for the appraisal district, a member of the board of directors of the appraisal district, a property tax consultant, or an agent of a property owner commits an offense if the person communicates with the local administrative district judge regarding the appointment of appraisal review board members. This subsection does not apply to:
- (1) a communication between a member of the appraisal review board and the local administrative district judge regarding the member's reappointment to the board;
- (2) a communication between the taxpayer liaison officer for the appraisal district and the local  $\bar{a}d\bar{m}inistrative$ district judge in the course of the performance of the officer's clerical duties so long as the officer does not offer an opinion or comment regarding the appointment of appraisal review board members; [<del>or</del>]
- (3) a communication between a chief appraiser or another employee or agent of the appraisal district, a member of the appraisal review board for the appraisal district, or a member of the board of directors of the appraisal district and the local administrative district judge regarding information relating to or described by Subsection (d-1), (d-5), or (f) of this section or Section 411.1296, Government Code; or
- 1-57 (4) a communication between a property tax consultant 1-58 a property owner or an agent of the property owner and the taxpayer liaison officer for the appraisal district regarding information relating to or described by Subsection (f). The 1-59 1-60

C.S.S.B. No. 1468 taxpayer liaison officer for the appraisal district shall report the contents of the communication relating to or described by Subsection (f) to the local administrative district judge.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015. 2-1 2-2

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