By: Bohac (Senate Sponsor - Hancock) (In the Senate - Received from the House April 16, 2019; April 17, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Property Tax; April 30, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 5 Navs 0. April 30, 2019, cost to print to be appendent to the second seco 1-1 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5 vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; April 30, 2019, sent to printer.) 1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE 1-7 Yea Nav Absent PNV 1-8 Bettencourt Х 1-9 Х Paxton 1-10 1-11 Creighton Х Χ Hancock 1-12 Hinojosa χ 1**-**13 1**-**14 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT 1-15 relating to a request for binding arbitration of certain appraisal 1-16 review board orders. 1**-**17 1**-**18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: Section 41A.03(a), Tax Code, is amended to read SECTION 1. 1-19 as follows: 1-20 (a) To appeal an appraisal review board order under this 1-21 chapter, a property owner must file with the appraisal district not 1-22 1-23 later than the 60th [45th] day after the date the property owner receives notice of the order: 1-24 (1) a completed request for binding arbitration under 1-25 this chapter in the form prescribed by Section 41A.04; and 1-26 an arbitration deposit made payable (2) the to comptroller in the amount of: 1-27 1-28 (A) \$450, if the property qualifies as the owner's residence homestead under Section 11.13 and the appraised 1-29 1-30 or market value, as applicable, of the property is \$500,000 or less, 1-31 as determined by the order; (B) \$500, if the property qualifies as the owner's residence homestead under Section 11.13 and the appraised 1-32 1-33 1-34 or market value, as applicable, of the property is more than 1-35 \$500,000, as determined by the order; (C) \$500, if the property does not qualify as the owner's residence homestead under Section 11.13 and the appraised 1-36 1-37 or market value, as applicable, of the property is \$1 million or 1-38 less, as determined by the order; (D) \$800, if the property does not qualify as the owner's residence homestead under Section 11.13 and the appraised 1-39 1-40 1-41 or market value, as applicable, of the property is more than \$1 million but not more than \$2 million, as determined by the order; 1-42 1-43 1 - 44(E) \$1,050, if the property does not qualify as 1-45 the owner's residence homestead under Section 11.13 and the appraised or market value, as applicable, of the property is more than \$2 million but not more than \$3 million, as determined by the 1-46 1-47 1-48 order; or 1-49 (F) \$1,550, if the property does not qualify as the owner's residence homestead under Section 11.13 and the appraised or market value, as applicable, of the property is more than \$3 million but not more than \$5 million, as determined by the 1-50 1-51 1-52 1-53 order. 1-54 Section 41A.05, Tax Code, is amended by SECTION 2. (a) amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsections (c), (d), and (e) to 1-55 1-56 read as follows: 1-57 Not later than the 10th day after the date an appraisal (a) district receives from a property owner a completed request for binding arbitration under this chapter and an arbitration deposit 1-58 1-59 1-60 as required by Section 41A.03, the appraisal district shall: [certify the request; 1-61 (1)

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[(2)] submit the request and deposit to the comptroller; and

2-3 (2) [(3)] request the comptroller to appoint a 2-4 qualified arbitrator to conduct the arbitration.

2-5 (c) The comptroller may not reject an application submitted 2-6 to the comptroller under this section unless:

2-7 (1) the comptroller delivers written notice to the 2-8 applicant of the defect in the application that would be the cause 2-9 of the rejection; and

2-10 (2) the applicant fails to cure the defect on or before 2-11 the 15th day after the date the comptroller delivers the notice.

2-12 (d) An applicant may cure a defect in accordance with 2-13 Subsection (c) at any time before the expiration of the period 2-14 provided by that subsection, without regard to the deadline for 2-15 filing the request for binding arbitration under Section 41A.03(a). 2-16 (e) For purposes of this section, a reference to the 2-17 applicant includes the applicant's representative if the applicant 2-18 has retained a representative as provided by Section 41A.08 for 2-19 purposes of representing the applicant in an arbitration proceeding 2-20 under this chapter.

2-20 <u>under this chapter.</u> 2-21 (b) Section 41A.05, Tax Code, as amended by this section, 2-22 applies only to a request for binding arbitration received by the 2-23 comptroller of public accounts from an appraisal district on or 2-24 after the effective date of this Act.

2-25 SECTION 3. This Act applies only to an appeal of an 2-26 appraisal review board order that a property owner receives notice 2-27 of on or after the effective date of this Act. An appeal of an 2-28 appraisal review board order that a property owner receives notice 2-29 of before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in 2-30 effect immediately before the effective date of this Act, and that 2-31 law is continued in effect for that purpose.

2-32 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 2-33 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 2-34 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 2-35 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 2-36 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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