

1-1 By: Miller (Senate Sponsor - Kolthorst) H.B. No. 2202
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 23, 2019;
 1-3 April 24, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Water
 1-4 & Rural Affairs; May 13, 2019, reported favorably by the following
 1-5 vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 13, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the appointment and election of levee improvement
 1-18 district directors.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Section 57.051, Water Code, is amended to read as
 1-21 follows:

1-22 Sec. 57.051. APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS. (a) The
 1-23 commissioners court which creates a levee improvement district
 1-24 under this chapter, by majority vote, shall appoint three directors
 1-25 for the district.

1-26 (b) In a district with a population of 2,000 or more the
 1-27 commissioners court may increase the total number of directors to
 1-28 five. The additional members appointed under this section must be
 1-29 registered voters in the district.

1-30 SECTION 2. Section 57.058, Water Code, is amended to read as
 1-31 follows:

1-32 Sec. 57.058. NUMBER OF ELECTED DIRECTORS; TERMS. In
 1-33 districts which have elected boards, there shall be five directors
 1-34 on the board. The initial elected directors shall draw lots to
 1-35 determine which two initial directors serve two-year terms and
 1-36 which three initial directors serve four-year terms. In countywide
 1-37 districts, one director shall be elected by the electors of the
 1-38 entire district and one director elected from each county
 1-39 commissioners precinct by the electors of that precinct. In other
 1-40 districts, all five directors shall be elected from precincts
 1-41 within the district to be established by the commissioners court.

1-42 SECTION 3. Section 57.060, Water Code, is amended to read as
 1-43 follows:

1-44 Sec. 57.060. PETITION. Before an election is held under
 1-45 Section 57.057, a petition, signed by the greater of at least 10
 1-46 percent of the total number of [100] electors or 100 electors in the
 1-47 district who are qualified to vote, shall be presented to the
 1-48 district requesting that an election be held in the district to
 1-49 determine whether or not directors for the district should be
 1-50 elected ~~[and, if so, to elect directors to serve until the next~~
 1-51 ~~regular director election. The petition shall include the name of~~
 1-52 ~~one or more nominees for each director's position].~~ If the results
 1-53 of an election held under Section 57.057 determine that directors
 1-54 will be elected, the current directors continue to serve until the
 1-55 elected directors qualify to take office.

1-56 SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act to Section
 1-57 57.058, Water Code, apply only to an election of directors held on
 1-58 or after the effective date of this Act. An election of directors
 1-59 held before the effective date of this Act is subject to the law in
 1-60 effect on the date the election is held, and that law is continued
 1-61 in effect for that purpose.

2-1 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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