

House Bill 945
Senate Amendments
Section-by-Section Analysis

HOUSE VERSION

No equivalent provision.

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Sec. 41.0051. GENERAL ELECTION IN CERTAIN COASTAL CITIES. (a) The general election for officers of a city that borders the Gulf of Mexico, has a population of more than 230,000 according to the 1980 census, and held its general election for officers in 1987 on the first Saturday in April may be held on any Saturday in April in odd-numbered years.

(b) An independent school district located wholly or partly in a city holding an election authorized under Subsection (a) is not required to hold its elections on the same date as another political subdivision as provided by Section 11.0581, Education Code.

SENATE VERSION

SECTION __. Section 11.0581(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) An election for trustees of an independent school district shall be held on the same date as:

- (1) the election for the members of the governing body of a municipality located in the school district; ~~[or]~~
- (2) the general election for state and county officers; or
- (3) the election for the members of the governing body of a hospital district, if the school district held its election for trustees jointly with the election for the members of the governing body of the hospital district before May 2007.

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(b) An independent school district located wholly or partly in a city holding an election authorized under Subsection (a) may hold its general election for trustees on the same date as a joint election with the city.

CONFERENCE

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SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

SENATE VERSION

SECTION 2. Not later than December 31, 2007, the board of trustees of an independent school district may:

- (1) change the date on which it holds its general election for trustees to allow the district to hold its election jointly with a municipality holding an election under Section 41.0051, Election Code; and
- (2) adjust the terms of office of trustees to conform to the change of the election date made under Subdivision (1) of this section.

SECTION 3. Same as House version.

CONFERENCE