

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1570
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Land & Resource Management
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been noted that two directors of the Rayburn Country Municipal Utility District have recently submitted resignations and that finding replacements has been difficult. As such, it has been suggested that a decrease in the number of district directors would be in the best interest of the district. H.B. 1570 seeks to provide for such decrease.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 1570 amends Chapter 1086, Acts of the 70th Legislature, Regular Session, 1987, to decrease from seven to five the number of directors of the Rayburn Country Municipal Utility District. The bill changes the date of the directors' election from the third Saturday in May every two years to the uniform election date in May in each even-numbered year.

H.B. 1570 does not affect the entitlement of a member serving on the board of directors of the district immediately before the bill's effective date to continue to serve as a member of the board for the remainder of the member's term, except that the bill abolishes on that date positions 6 and 7, as designated by the district.

H.B. 1570 repeals Section 7(g), Chapter 1086, Acts of the 70th Legislature, Regular Session, 1987, which requires a candidate for director to submit to the secretary of the board of directors a petition signed by at least 50 qualified voters of the district requesting that the person's name be printed on the ballot.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2019.