

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Under current law, the commissioners court of Lubbock County has the authority to appoint the board of hospital managers of the Lubbock County Hospital District. The purpose of this bill is to allow the Texas Tech University board of regents (regents) to appoint one member to serve on the board of hospital managers. As proposed, H.B. 2961 requires the regents to appoint one member to the board of hospital managers and the commissioners court to appoint the remaining members.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 2961 requires the Texas Tech University board of regents to appoint one member to the board of hospital managers of the Lubbock County Hospital District and the commissioners court to appoint the remaining members.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 8, Chapter 484, Acts of the 60th Legislature, Regular Session, 1967, to require the Texas Tech University board of regents (regents), along with the commissioners court of Lubbock County, to appoint a board of hospital managers in the manner provided. Requires the regents to appoint one member and the commissioners court to appoint the remaining members. Requires the Texas Tech University board of regents to appoint one ex-officio member and the commissioners court to appoint the remaining members. Requires the appointed ex-officio member to have all powers of a member of the board, except that the member may not vote. Requires the appointed ex-officio member to have access to all documents reviewed or considered by the board or its staff, and to have any and all other powers of a member of the board with the exception of voting. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. (a) Effective date: September 1, 1999.

(b) Provides that the change in law made by this Act relating to the composition of the board of hospital managers of the Lubbock County Hospital District does not affect the eligibility of a member serving immediately before the effective date of this Act to continue to serve on the board for the term to which the member was appointed. Requires the regents to appoint a member to the board of hospital managers in accordance with Section 8, Chapter 484, Acts of the 60th Legislature, Regular Session, 1967, as amended by this Act, to fill the next vacancy that occurs after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.