

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST**

Currently, Texas law requires nine members to serve on the Booker Hospital District board of directors. Booker County is a small town with a population of approximately 1300 people. Community members who would make valuable board members have already served at one time or another. This bill would decrease the number of members of the Booker Hospital District board of directors from nine to seven.

### **PURPOSE**

As proposed, S.B. 124 decreases the number of members of the Booker Hospital District board of directors from nine to seven.

### **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 3(e), Chapter 411, Acts of the 58th Legislature, Regular Session, 1963, to provide that the Booker Hospital District is governed by seven members of the board of directors to be elected at large from the Booker Hospital District. Requires the term of a director to be two years, and three directors, rather than five, to be elected in odd numbered years. Deletes text providing the names of the board of directors.

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

(b) Requires seven directors to be elected on May 6, 2000. Requires the four directors with the highest number of total votes to serve two-year terms, and the three directors with the least amount of votes to serve one-year terms.

(c) Provides that the board of directors will continue as the district's governing body until a majority of the directors elected on May 6, 2000, take office, and the former law is continued in effect for this purpose. Provides that the terms of the directors serving immediately before the effective date of this act expire when a majority of the directors elected on May 6, 2000, take office.

(d) Provides that service on the board of directors of the district before May 6, 2000, does not make a person ineligible for election as a director of the district on May 6, 2000, or a subsequent election date.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.