

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, appraisal review board membership is capped in county appraisal districts based upon the county population in which the appraisal district is located. Heavily populated county appraisal districts have difficulty fulfilling their duties under the current board member limits. As proposed, S.B. 650 raises the limit on the allowable number of regular appraisal review board members and clarifies the authority of auxiliary board members.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Sections 6.41(b) and (e), Tax Code, as follows:

(b) Authorizes the district board of directors by resolution of a majority of its members to increase the size of the appraisal review board in a district established for a county with a population of at least 250,000, to not more than 40 (rather than 15) members or, in a district established for a county with a population of at least 500,000 (rather than 1 million), to not more than 75 (rather than 30) members. Deletes text regarding a district for a county of at least 1,500,000 members.

(e) Requires the board of directors, in making the initial or subsequent appointments, to designate those members who serve terms of one year as needed to comply with this subsection.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 6.412, Tax Code, by adding Subsection (f) to provide that, in this section, a reference to an auxiliary board member means an appraisal review board auxiliary member appointed under Section 6.411, as that law existed before January 1, 2002.

SECTION 3. Repealer: Section 6.411 (Auxiliary Members in Certain Counties), Tax Code.

SECTION 4. Effective date: January 1, 2002.