

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, board membership on the Galveston County Central Appraisal District consists of elected officials chosen from school boards and municipalities within the county. Under this system, the Galveston Central Appraisal District is the only board in the State of Texas chosen in this manner. All other central appraisal districts allow members to be selected from any resident who has lived in the district for two years. This bill will make the composition of the Galveston County Board consistent with other counties in the state.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 91 deletes certain qualifications for a member of the board of directors of an appraisal district.

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 6.03(a), Tax Code, to delete the provision requiring an individual to be a member of the governing body or an elected officer of a taxing unit entitled to vote on the appointment of board members to be eligible to serve on the board of an appraisal district established for a county having a population of at least 200,000 bordering a county having a population of at least 2,000,000 and the Gulf of Mexico. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: January 1, 1998.

SECTION 4. Emergency clause.