

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services board of directors (board) is made up of six board members, four of whom are required to hold a demonstrated interest in the services provided by the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services and two board members representing the general public. As proposed, S.B. 593 requires that one board member be a person who was a child in the foster care system.

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 Section 40.021, Human Resources Code, by adding Subsection (d), to require one of the members of the Board of Protective and Regulatory Services (board) under Subsection (b) who has demonstrated interest in the services provided by the Department of Protective and Regulatory Services (DPRS) to be a person who was a child in the foster care system.

SECTION 2. (a) Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2003.

(b) Makes application of this Act prospective.

(c) Requires the governor, as the terms of the members of the board expire or as vacancies on the board occur, to make appointments to the board to achieve, as soon as possible, the membership plan prescribed by Section 40.021, Human Resources Code, as amended by this Act.