BILL ANALYSIS

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C.S.H.B. 326 By: Dutton (Huffman) Intergovernmental Relations 5/9/2013 Committee Report (Substituted)

AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Under current law, an individual is ineligible to serve on the appraisal review board of an appraisal district established for a county having a population of 100,000 or more if the person is a former member of the district's board of directors, former officer, former employee of the district, or has served for all or part of three previous terms as a board member. C.S.H.B. 326 seeks to expand the eligibility by allowing a person who has served for all or part of three previous terms as a board member to sit out a term and then become eligible to reapply.

C.S.H.B. 326 amends current law relating to eligibility to serve on the appraisal review board of an appraisal district.

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 6.412(d) and (e), Tax Code, as follows:

(d) Provides that a person is ineligible to serve on the appraisal review board of an appraisal district established for a county having a population of more than 100,000 if the person, among other conditions, is a former member of the board of directors, former officer, or former employee of the appraisal district. Deletes existing text providing that a person is ineligible to serve on the appraisal review board of an appraisal district established for a county having a population of more than 100,000 if the person has served for all or part of three previous terms as a board member or auxiliary board member on the appraisal review board. Makes nonsubstantive changes.

(e) Provides that a person who has served for all or part of three consecutive terms as a board member on an appraisal review board is ineligible to serve on the appraisal review board during a term that begins on the next January 1 following the third of those consecutive terms. Deletes existing text providing that a person, in an appraisal district established for a county having a population of 100,000 or less, who has served for all or part of three consecutive terms as a board member or auxiliary board member on the appraisal review board is ineligible to serve on the appraisal review board during certain terms.

SECTION 2. Repealer: Section 6.412(f) (defining "auxiliary board member" to include an appraisal review board auxiliary member), Tax Code.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2013.