

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District (NPGCD) is required to hold the election for its board of directors on the uniform election date in May of each even-numbered year. As trends in election turnout change over the years, NPGCD needs the flexibility to set an election date that affords the highest voter turnout. S.B. 2030 allows NPGCD to hold their directors' election on a uniform election date in each even-numbered year.

As proposed, S.B. 2030 amends current law relating to the election date of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation 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 Section 1A(b), Chapter 498, Acts of the 54th Legislature, Regular Session, 1955, to require that a directors' election be held on a uniform election date in each even-numbered year, rather than require that a directors' election be held on the uniform election date in May in each even-numbered year, to elect the appropriate number of directors.

SECTION 2. Requires the board of directors of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District to adjust the terms of office to conform to the new election date and the requirements of Section 30(c) (relating to governing board members' term limits), Article XVI, Texas Constitution, if the board of directors changes the election date for the district as provided by Section 1A(b), Chapter 498, Acts of the 54th Legislature, Regular Session, 1955, as amended by this Act.

SECTION 3. Provides that all requirements of the constitution and laws of this state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled and accomplished.

SECTION 4. Effective date: September 1, 2015.