

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, the Transportation Code authorizes regional mobility authority directors to serve six-year terms. However, the Texas Constitution only provides for two-year terms, and a constitutional amendment to change that provision to authorize six-year terms failed in 2005.

H.B. 3718 deletes existing text providing for directors of a regional mobility authority to serve six-year terms and requires those directors to serve two-year terms, with not more than half of those terms expiring on February 1 of each year.

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 370.251(c), Transportation Code, to provide that directors of a regional mobility authority serve two-year terms, with as near as possible to one-half, rather than not more than one-half, of the directors' terms expiring February 1 of each year. Deletes existing text providing for directors to serve six-year terms that are staggered in a certain way.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2007.