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H.B. No. 332

An Act relating to the terms of office and compensation of directors of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Chapter 10, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1953, is amended by adding Sections 1A and 1B to read as follows:

Sec. 1A. (a) Members of the Board of Directors shall serve for four-year terms.

(b) An election shall be held on the third Saturday in January in each even-numbered year to elect the appropriate number of members to the Board of Directors.

(c) Except as provided by this section, a directors' election is called and held as provided by Chapter 51, Water Code, and the Texas Election Code.

Sec. 1B. Each member of the Board of Directors is entitled to compensation for his services as director in an amount not to exceed \$100 a day as established by resolution of the Board of Directors. A member of the Board of Directors may not receive compensation for his services for more than five days in any calendar month.

SECTION 2. (a) The members of the board of directors of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 on the effective date of this Act shall continue in office until the expiration of their terms.

(b) In January, 1986, an election shall be held to elect successors for persons representing directors' precincts 1, 2, and 5. Persons elected at that election and their successors shall serve four-year terms.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1A, Chapter 10, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1953, as added by this Act, in January, 1987, an election shall be held to elect successors for persons representing directors' precincts 3 and 4. Persons elected at that election shall serve until the persons elected at the election in January, 1988, have been elected and have qualified for office. Persons elected at the election in 1988 and their successors shall serve four-year terms.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on March 14, 1985, by a non-record vote; and, pursuant to the provisions of Article XVI, Section 59(d) of the Constitution of Texas, a copy of H.B. No. 332 was transmitted to the Governor on January 15, 1985, and the recommendation of the Texas Water Commission was filed with the Speaker of the House on January 31, 1985 passed by the Senate on April 25, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved: May 7, 1985 Effective: August 26, 1985