

**CHAPTER 436**

**S.B. No. 1120**

An Act relating to qualifications for certain city offices; amending Article 987, Revised Statutes.

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

**SECTION 1.** Article 987, Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

**“Article 987. QUALIFICATIONS OF OFFICERS**

“Section 1. No person shall be eligible to the office of mayor unless he is a *registered voter* [~~qualified elector~~] and has resided twelve months next preceding the election within the city limits. In determining whether a person has complied with the durational residency requirement, residency in an area while the area was not within the city limits is considered as residency within the city limits if the area is a part of the city on the date of the election.

“Section 2. To be eligible for aldermen, one must reside in the ward from which he may be elected at the time of his election *and must be a registered voter*. If any alderman removes from the ward in which he was elected, his office shall be deemed vacant.”

**SECTION 2.** 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.

Passed the Senate on April 16, 1985, by a viva-voce vote; passed the House on May 17, 1985, by a non-record vote.

Approved: June 11, 1985

Effective: August 26, 1985