

## CHAPTER 442

## H.B. No. 318

## AN ACT

relating to the election of commissioners of Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Texas.

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

SECTION 1. Section 3, Chapter 192, Acts of the 41st Legislature, Regular Session, 1929, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3. (a) There shall be held a general election in said "Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Texas," in each even-numbered year on the first ~~third~~ Saturday in May, at which time there shall be elected the appropriate number of Navigation and Canal Commissioners for such district, who shall hold office for a term of four years, and until their successors are elected and have qualified.

(b) *Navigation and Canal Commissioners are elected at large by place on the Board, with places numbered one through five. The candidate for a numbered place who receives the greatest number of votes for election to that place is a Commissioner for the district.*

(c) *A person who wishes to have the person's name printed on the ballot as a candidate for a place on the Board must file an application with the Secretary of the Board not later than 5 p.m. on the 45th day before the election date. The application must specify the place for which the applicant is to be a candidate.*

SECTION 2. At the 1994 commissioners election held by the Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Texas, a commissioner shall be elected to each of the even-numbered places on the board of navigation and canal commissioners. At the 1996 commissioners election held by the district, a commissioner shall be elected to each of the odd-numbered places on the board.

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 24, 1993, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 29, 1993: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 6, 1993.

Effective Aug. 30, 1993, 90 days after date of adjournment.