

BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 3772
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DIGEST

The Presidio County Hospital District (PCHD) was created in 1965, by the 59th Legislature, to deliver health care services to the people of Presidio County. In 1991, the 72nd Legislature authorized the joining of (PCHD) with the Brewster County Hospital District into the Big Bend Regional Hospital District (district). The enabling act for the district provides for a two-year term for the district office of director. H.B. 3772 would require an election to be held on the first Saturday in May each year with an appropriate number of directors required to be elected for four-year terms, and would prohibit a person from serving as a member of the district board of directors under certain conditions.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 3772 changes the date for the Presidio County Hospital District board of directors election and the number of terms served by the board of directors.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 7(b), Chapter 643, Acts of the 59th Legislature, Regular Session, 1965, to require an election to be held on the first Saturday in May each year and the appropriate number of Big Bend Regional Hospital District (district) board of directors to be elected for four-year terms, rather than two-year terms.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 7B, Chapter 643, Acts of the 59th Legislature, Regular Session, 1965, by adding Subsection (c), to prohibit a person from serving as a member of the district board of directors if the person is a district employee, party to a contract with the district to perform services for compensation, or a physician who has staff privileges at a district facility.

SECTION 3. (a) Provides that Section 7 (b), Chapter 643, Acts of the 59th Legislature, Regular Session, 1965, does not apply to the term of a member of the district board of directors elected in an election held in 2000 or 2001. Requires a director elected in an election held in 2000 to serve a two-year term, and a board director elected in an election held in 2001 to serve a three-year term. Requires successor directors to serve four-year terms.

(b) Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 4. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 5. Emergency clause.