## **BILL ANALYSIS**

Senate Research Center

S.B. 524 By: Duncan Intergovernmental Relations 9/23/2009 Enrolled

## **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

The Act creating the Lynn County Hospital District (district) was passed by the 60th Legislature, Regular Session, in 1967 and was amended by the 73rd Legislature. During the 80th Legislature, S.B. 267 was enacted which established attendance requirements for district board of director members and provided for the legal removal of members who are out of compliance. The intent of the change was to require the district board members to attend one-half of the regularly scheduled board meetings; however, a drafting error placed the attendance threshold at three-fourths of the regularly scheduled meetings.

S.B. 524 amends current law relating to the grounds for removal of a member of the board of directors of the district.

## **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 4A(a), Chapter 66, Acts of the 60th Legislature, Regular Session, 1967, to provide that it is a ground for removal from the board of directors of the Lynn County Hospital District that a member is absent from more than half, rather than three-fourths, of the regularly scheduled board meetings that the member is eligible to attend during a calendar year without an excuse approved by a majority vote of the board.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 1054.0565(a), Special District Local Laws Code, as effective September 1, 2009, to provide that it is a ground for removal from the board that a director is absent from more than half, rather than three-fourths, of the regularly scheduled board meetings that the director is eligible to attend during a calendar year without an excuse approved by a majority

SECTION 3. (a) Provides that Section 1 of this Act takes effect only if the Act of the 81st Legislature, Regular Session, 2009, relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in existing codes does not become law.

(b) Provides that Section 2 of this Act takes effect only if the Act of the 81st Legislature, Regular Session, 2009, relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in existing codes becomes law.

SECTION 4. Effective date: September 1, 2009.