

## Chapter 234

H.B. No. 2894

### AN ACT

relating to the election of certain county bail bond board members.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 1704.0535, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1704.0535. ELECTION OF CERTAIN BAIL BOND ~~[SURETY]~~ BOARD MEMBERS ~~[MEMBER]~~. (a) The board shall annually conduct a secret ballot election to elect the members ~~[member]~~ of the board who serve ~~[serves]~~ as the representative of licensed bail bond sureties and the representative of the criminal defense attorneys by electing:

(1) a licensed bail bond surety or agent for a corporate surety board member; and

(2) a criminal defense attorney who is practicing in the county.

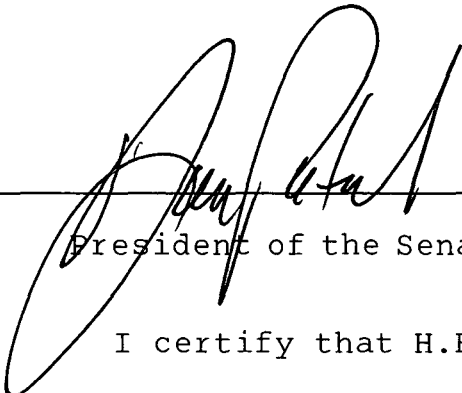
(b) Each individual licensed in the county as a bail bond surety or agent for a corporate surety is entitled to cast one vote for each license held to elect the board member who is a surety or agent for a corporate surety.

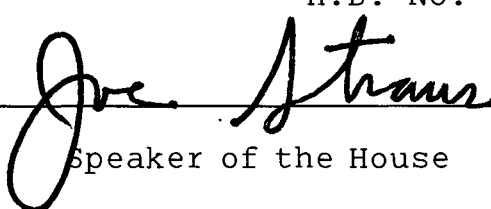
(c) Each attorney who has a principal place of business located in the county and who is not legally prohibited from representing criminal defendants in the county is entitled to cast one vote to elect the board member who is a criminal defense attorney.

1        (d) Each elected justice of the peace in the county who is  
2 not legally prohibited from voting in an election for the purpose is  
3 entitled to cast one vote to elect the board member who is a justice  
4 of the peace.

5        SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act regarding the  
6 election of certain county bail bond board members do not affect the  
7 entitlement of a member serving on a board immediately before the  
8 effective date of this Act to continue to serve and function as a  
9 member of the board for the remainder of the member's term. Those  
10 changes in law apply only to a member elected on or after the  
11 effective date of this Act.

12        SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

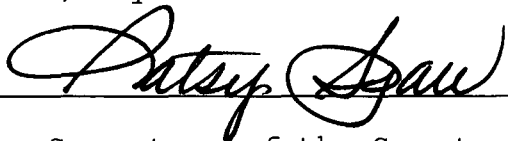
  
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President of the Senate

H.B. No. 2894  
  
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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2894 was passed by the House on May 12, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 139, Nays 3, 2 present, not voting.

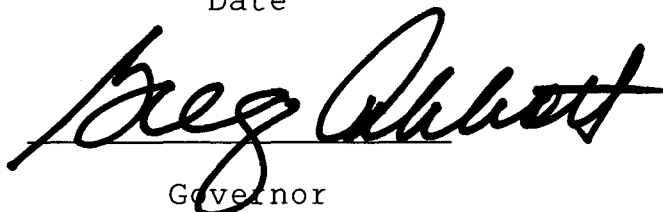
  
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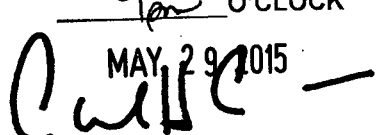
I certify that H.B. No. 2894 was passed by the Senate on May 15, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

  
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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: 5-28-2015

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**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 13, 2015**

**TO:** Honorable Kelly Hancock, Chair, Senate Committee on Administration

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB2894** by Lozano (Relating to the election of certain county bail bond board members.),  
**As Engrossed**

<b>No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Occupations Code to modify the method of electing members and the composition of certain county bail bond boards.

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No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:**

**LBB Staff:** UP, KK, KVe, SD, EK

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 7, 2015**

**TO:** Honorable Garnet Coleman, Chair, House Committee on County Affairs

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

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