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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

# 1 AN ACT

2 relating to the training of certain members of the board of  
3 directors of an appraisal district.

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

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 5, Tax Code, is amended by adding Section  
6 5.044 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 5.044. REQUIRED TRAINING FOR MEMBERS OF BOARD OF  
8 DIRECTORS OF APPRAISAL DISTRICT. (a) Except as provided by this  
9 section, a person may not serve as a member of the board of  
10 directors of an appraisal district unless the person has completed  
11 the course of training prescribed by the comptroller under this  
12 section.

13           (b) A person may serve in a temporary, provisional, or  
14 interim capacity as a member of the board of directors of an  
15 appraisal district for a period of up to one year without completing  
16 the training required by this section.

17                   (c) The comptroller shall prescribe the curriculum for the  
18 training program required by this section. The training program  
19 must be at least 10 hours in length and provide comprehensive  
20 information regarding state and local administration of property  
21 taxation, including:

24 (2) the allocation of the budget of an appraisal

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1 district among the taxing units that participate in the district;

2 and

3                   (3) the methods by which an appraisal district may  
4 determine the value of taxable property within the district.

5                   (d) This section does not apply to a nonvoting member of the  
6 board of directors of an appraisal district.

7                   SECTION 2. The comptroller of public accounts shall  
8 prescribe the curriculum for the training program required by  
9 Section 5.044, Tax Code, as added by this Act, not later than  
10 January 1, 2026.

11                  SECTION 3. Section 5.044, Tax Code, as added by this Act,  
12 applies only to a director of an appraisal district appointed or  
13 elected for a term that begins on or after January 1, 2026.

14                  SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.