



Legislation Text

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Government Performance and Financial Management
AGENDA DATE: April 8, 2020
COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): N/A
DEPARTMENT: Mayor and City Council Office
EXECUTIVE: Kimberly Bizer Tolbert

SUBJECT

An ordinance amending Chapter 8, "Boards and Commissions," of the Dallas City Code by amending Section 8-1.4, "Qualification Considerations in Appointments to Boards," by deleting the requirement that a board or commission member be a qualified voter in the city at the time of appointment - Financing: No cost consideration to the City (via Councilmembers Resendez, Mayor Pro Tem Medrano, Bazaldua, West, and Narvaez)

BACKGROUND

Section 8-1.4 of the Dallas City Code requires that all board and commission appointees meet seven qualifications, including being a qualified voter in the city at the time of appointment. Under state law, a qualified voter must (1) be 18 years of age or older, (2) be a United States citizen, (3) not be partially or totally mentally incapacitated, and (4) not have been finally convicted of a felony unless they have fully discharged their sentence or been pardoned. The qualified voter requirement in Chapter 8 can be deleted, except when required under the Charter or another city ordinance.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

The Government Performance and Financial Management Committee was briefed regarding this matter on March 23, 2020 and was recommended to move forward to full council with recommendation of approval.

FISCAL INFORMATION

No cost consideration to the City.