

HCS HB 530 -- EMERGENCY SERVICES BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SPONSOR: Roden

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with Amendments" by the Standing Committee on Local Government by a vote of 11 to 0. Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Select Committee on State and Local Governments by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill prohibits an ambulance or fire protection district board member from being eligible for employment by the board upon which he or she served within 12 months of termination of service as a board member, except for employment on a volunteer basis or without compensation.

The bill sets the candidate filing fee for a fire protection district board seat at the amount equal to the filing fee for a candidate for county office, which currently is \$50.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill eliminates potential conflicts of interest and ethical issues.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Roden and 109 Group.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.