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S.B. No. 9

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to increasing the criminal penalty for the offense of
3 illegal voting.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 64.012(b), Election Code, as effective
6 December 2, 2021, is amended to read as follows:

7 (b) An offense under this section is a felony of the second
8 degree unless the person is convicted of an attempt. In that case,
9 the offense is a state jail felony [~~Class A misdemeanor~~].

10 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
11 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
12 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
13 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,
14 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For
15 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the
16 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred
17 before that date.

18 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect on the 91st day after the
19 last day of the legislative session.