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H.B. No. 1622

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to reporting of early voting totals.

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

SECTION 1. Section 87.1231, Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 87.1231. EARLY VOTING VOTES REPORTED BY PRECINCT. (a) Not later than the time of the local canvass, the early voting clerk shall deliver to the local canvassing authority a report of the total number of early voting votes for each candidate or measure by election precinct. The report may reflect the total for votes by mail and the total for votes by personal appearance.

(b) A person registered to vote in the county where the early voting clerk is conducting early voting may submit a complaint to the secretary of state stating that an early voting clerk has not complied with Subsection (a).

(c) The secretary of state by rule shall create and maintain a system for receiving and recording complaints made under this section.

(d) The secretary of state shall maintain a record indicating which counties and early voting clerks have failed to comply with the requirements of Subsection (a).

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.