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H.B. No. 2018

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to ballot language requirements for a proposition proposing a constitutional amendment.

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

SECTION 1. Section 274.001(b), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The proposition, whether prescribed by the legislature or the secretary of state, must describe the proposed amendment in plain language and ~~[terms that]~~ clearly express the effect of:

- (1) approving the proposition;
- (2) failing to approve the proposition; or
- (3) both approving the proposition and failing to approve the proposition ~~[its scope and character]~~.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an election ordered on or after the effective date of this Act. An election ordered before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the election is ordered, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 2022.