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H.B. No. 222

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to increasing the punishment of conduct constituting the
3 offense of illegal voting.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 64.012(b), Election Code, is amended to
6 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 changes in law made by this Act apply only to
11 an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An
12 offense committed before the effective date of this Act is governed
13 by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed, and the
14 former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of
15 this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of
16 this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

17 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.