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H.B. No. 2351

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to renewal of an appointment as a volunteer deputy registrar.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 13, Election Code, is amended by adding Section 13.0315 to read as follows:

Sec. 13.0315. RENEWAL OF APPOINTMENT. (a) The registrar may, not later than November 30 of an even-numbered year, deliver notice to each volunteer deputy registrar in the county that the volunteer deputy registrar's term of appointment expires on December 31 of that year. Notice may be delivered by mail or by e-mail.

(b) Notice delivered under this section must be accompanied by:

(1) a renewal application, in a form determined by the registrar; and

(2) information about any changes in election law that are relevant to the role of volunteer deputy registrar and that have occurred during the person's term of appointment.

(c) The registrar shall immediately appoint a volunteer deputy registrar to a new term beginning on the next January 1 if the volunteer deputy registrar:

(1) signs the renewal application and returns it to the registrar before the volunteer deputy registrar's term expires;

1           (2) signs an affidavit confirming the person has read  
2 and understood any information provided under Subsection (b)(2), if  
3 applicable; and

4           (3) remains eligible for appointment as a volunteer  
5 deputy registrar under Section 13.031(d).

6           (d) A volunteer deputy registrar appointed to a new term  
7 under this section is not required to attend training developed  
8 under Section 13.047 unless the person has failed to comply with any  
9 requirement imposed on a volunteer deputy registrar under this  
10 subchapter or other law.

11           SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.