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H.B. No. 3819

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to combining incorporated and unincorporated territory  
3 into a county election precinct.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section [42.007](#), Election Code, is amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 Sec. 42.007. COMBINING INCORPORATED AND UNINCORPORATED  
8 TERRITORY. A commissioners court may not establish a county  
9 election precinct containing territory inside a city with a  
10 population of 10,000 or more and unincorporated territory outside  
11 that city unless:

12 (1) the commissioners court determines that either of  
13 the two areas:

14 (A) [~~(1)~~] cannot constitute a separate election  
15 precinct of suitable size or shape that contains the permissible  
16 number of voters; or

17 (B) [~~(2)~~] cannot be combined with other  
18 territory on the same side of the city boundary to form an election  
19 precinct of a suitable size or shape that contains the permissible  
20 number of voters without causing another election precinct to fail  
21 to meet those requirements; or

22 (2) the two areas are located in a county  
23 participating in the countywide polling place program under Section  
24 [43.007](#).

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