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S.B. No. 1945

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a notice of the delivery of provisional ballots.

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

SECTION 1. Section 65.053, Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 65.053. DELIVERY OF PROVISIONAL BALLOTS. (a) The presiding judge of an election precinct shall deliver in person to the general custodian of election records the box containing each envelope containing a provisional ballot that was cast in the precinct. The secretary of state shall prescribe procedures by which the early voting ballot board may have access to the provisional ballots as necessary to implement this subchapter.

(b) The presiding judge of an election precinct shall daily prepare a notice of the number of provisional ballots delivered to the general custodian of elections records under Subsection (a) and deliver the notice to, as applicable:

(1) the central counting station;

(2) the counting station designated under Section 127.001(b); or

(3) the early voting ballot board.

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