

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, an election judge or clerk is entitled to compensation for services rendered at a precinct polling place at a rate which must be at least the federal minimum hourly wage currently set at \$5.15. Entities which hold elections are having an increasingly difficult task finding individuals to work polling places on election dates. As proposed, S.B. 321 will set a minimum hourly wage for general election workers at \$8 per hour.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 32.091(a), Election Code, to provide that for a general election, the rate of compensation for an election judge or clerk must be at least \$8 per hour.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2003.
Makes application of this Act prospective.