

1-1 By: Branch, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Janek) H.B. No. 2496
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 12, 2003;
1-3 May 13, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on State
1-4 Affairs; May 23, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-5 Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 23, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the date of the primary election.

1-9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-10 SECTION 1. Sections 41.007(a), (b), and (c), Election Code,
1-11 are amended to read as follows:

1-12 (a) The general primary election date is the first [~~second~~]
1-13 Tuesday in March in each even-numbered year.

1-14 (b) The runoff primary election date is the first [~~second~~]
1-15 Tuesday in April following the general primary election.

1-16 (c) The presidential primary election date is the first
1-17 [~~second~~] Tuesday in March in each presidential election year.

1-18 SECTION 2. The secretary of state by rule shall modify
1-19 applicable procedures, dates, and deadlines in the Election Code to
1-20 implement the changes in primary election dates made by this Act.

1-21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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