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H.B. No. 2684

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the timely filing of an application for a place on the
3 ballot for an office of a home-rule city.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 143.005(a), Election Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (a) A city charter may prescribe requirements in connection
8 with a candidate's application for a place on the ballot for an
9 office of a home-rule city. This section does not authorize a city
10 charter requirement in connection with the timely filing of an
11 application, and any charter requirement related to an
12 application's timely filing is superseded by Section 143.007 and
13 other applicable filing provisions prescribed by this code.

14 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
15 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
16 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
17 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
18 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.