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Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2684:

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the timely filing of an application for a place on the

- 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:

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- 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- 12 application's timely filing is superseded by Section 143.007 and
- 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.