

Amend CSHB 626 by striking all below the enacting clause and substituting the following:

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 31, Election Code, is amended by adding Section 31.012 to read as follows:

Sec. 31.012. ELECTION INTEGRITY TRAINING. The secretary of state shall annually conduct, in at least four different geographic regions of the state, election integrity training for election officers, law enforcement personnel, and prosecutors in detecting, investigating, and prosecuting instances of vote fraud involving the registration of and voting by persons who are not citizens.

SECTION 2. Subchapter A, Chapter 273, Election Code, is amended by adding Sections 273.005 and 273.006 to read as follows:

Sec. 273.005. ELECTION INTEGRITY TASK FORCE. Each district attorney or criminal district attorney in this state shall create an election integrity task force to investigate and prosecute instances of vote fraud involving the registration of and voting by persons who are not citizens.

Sec. 273.006. POST ELECTION INTEGRITY AUDIT. (a) Following the general election for state and county officers, the county clerk of each county shall conduct a post-election integrity audit to examine and investigate any evidence of vote fraud involving the registration of and voting by persons who are not citizens.

(b) The county clerk shall:

(1) not later than the 90th day after the date of the general election for state and county officers, file a report with the secretary of state and the commissioners court of the county providing details of the evidence collected in the audit; and

(2) refer any evidence of vote fraud collected under the audit to the district or criminal district attorney with jurisdiction in the county.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.