Amend HB 1044 (Senate committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill appropriately:

SECTION _____. Subchapter D, Chapter 31, Election Code, is amended by adding Section 31.0921 to read as follows:

Sec. 31.0921. CONTRACT FOR ELECTION SERVICES REQUIRED IN CERTAIN COUNTIES. (a) Subject to Sections 31.096 and 31.097, a water improvement district that is governed under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and is entirely located in a county with a population of at least 600,000 that is adjacent to an international border shall enter into a contract under this subchapter for the county election officer of the county in which the district is located to perform for the district all of the corresponding duties and functions that the officer performs in connection with a countywide election ordered by a county authority.

(b) The district shall pay the county for all claims for election expenses under the contract.