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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 2 relating to the delivery of voter registration certificates.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 13.144(a), Election Code, is amended to
- 5 read as follows:
- 6 (a) Not later than the 30th day after the date the registrar
- 7 <u>receives the application, the [The]</u> registrar shall deliver the
- 8 original of an initial certificate:
- 9 (1) in person to the applicant or the applicant's agent
- 10 appointed under Section 13.003; or
- 11 (2) by mail to the applicant.
- 12 SECTION 2. Section 15.004(b), Election Code, is amended to
- 13 read as follows:
- 14 (b) Not later than the 30th day after the date the registrar
- 15 receives [On receipt of] the notice, the registrar shall deliver to
- 16 the voter a replacement certificate containing:
- 17 (1) the registration number and other information on
- 18 the lost or destroyed certificate; and
- 19 (2) a notation that the certificate is a replacement.
- SECTION 3. Section 15.024(a), Election Code, is amended to
- 21 read as follows:
- 22 (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), after correcting
- 23 the registration records with respect to a voter, if necessary, the
- 24 registrar shall [promptly] issue the voter a registration

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- 1 certificate containing the appropriate corrections and deliver it
- 2 to the voter not later than the 30th day after the date the
- 3 <u>registrar receives notice of a correction</u>.
- 4 SECTION 4. Section 13.144(c), Election Code, is repealed.
- 5 SECTION 5. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 6 to a voter registration certificate for which an application,
- 7 notice of loss or destruction, or notice of a correction is received
- 8 by the voter registrar on or after September 1, 2007.
- 9 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.