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H.B. No. 1044

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the delivery of voter registration certificates.

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

SECTION 1. Section 13.144(a), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Not later than the 30th day after the date the registrar receives the application, the ~~The~~ registrar shall deliver the original of an initial certificate:

(1) in person to the applicant or the applicant's agent appointed under Section 13.003; or

(2) by mail to the applicant.

SECTION 2. Section 15.004(b), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Not later than the 30th day after the date the registrar receives ~~On receipt of~~ the notice, the registrar shall deliver to the voter a replacement certificate containing:

(1) the registration number and other information on the lost or destroyed certificate; and

(2) a notation that the certificate is a replacement.

SECTION 3. Section 15.024(a), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), after correcting the registration records with respect to a voter, if necessary, the registrar shall ~~promptly~~ issue the voter a registration

1 certificate containing the appropriate corrections and deliver it  
2 to the voter not later than the 30th day after the date the  
3 registrar receives notice of a correction.

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 Section 13.144(c), Election Code, is repealed.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.