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H.B. No. 3160

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the manner in which the roll of members-elect is called when a house of the legislature convenes in regular session.

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

SECTION 1. Section 301.004, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 301.004. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS-ELECT; DUTIES OF CLERK.

(a) Under the direction of the secretary of state, the clerk shall call the districts of the appropriate house ~~[counties]~~ in numerical ~~[alphabetical]~~ order regardless of whether the secretary of state has received the election returns for each district ~~[county]~~.

(b) If an individual appears at the call and presents proper evidence of the individual's ~~[his]~~ election, the individual shall be admitted or qualified as if the individual's election returns had been made to the secretary of state.

(c) After the clerk has called the districts ~~[counties]~~ and the members-elect have appeared and presented their credentials, the clerk shall administer the official oath to each member-elect.

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