

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 3062
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Elections
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Current law requires an entity holding an election to notify the county clerk of a planned election 60 days in advance. This advance notice is vital for those preparing the voter rolls and ballots, but an entity is not required to notify the voter registrar of an impending election. This can create the situation of a voter registrar not having sufficient time to prepare voter rolls.

H.B. 3062 requires an entity holding an election to notify the voter registrar not later than the 60th day before an election. This uniform notification will ensure that those preparing ballots and voter rolls have ample preparation time.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 3062 amends the Election Code to require the governing body of a political subdivision, other than a county, that orders an election, to deliver notice of an election to the voter registrar, in addition to the county clerk, of each county in which the political subdivision is located not later than the 60th day before election day.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2009.