By: Brown of Kaufman H.B. No. 1143

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the penalty for making a false statement on a voter
- 3 registration application.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 13.007(b), Election Code, is amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 (b) An offense under this section is a <u>felony of the third</u>
- 8 degree [Class B misdemeanor].
- 9 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 10 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 11 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
- 12 covered by the law in effect when the offense was committed, and the
- 13 former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of
- 14 this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of
- 15 this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.
- SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.