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H.B. No. 1256

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to requiring the posting of notice of voter complaint  
3 information at a polling place.

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

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 62, Election Code, is amended by adding  
6 Section 62.0112 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 62.0112. NOTICE OF VOTER COMPLAINT INFORMATION. (a)  
8 At one or more locations in the polling place easily visible to  
9 voters, the presiding judge shall post notice in a form prescribed  
10 by the secretary of state that informs voters of who to call or  
11 write to if a voter has a complaint about the conduct of the  
12 election.

13 (b) The title of the notice must read "Voter Complaint  
14 Information" and must be printed in at least 100-point Times New  
15 Roman font. The notice must:

16 (1) include the telephone number for the voting rights  
17 hotline established by the secretary of state under Section  
18 31.0055;

19 (2) include any available telephone number dedicated  
20 to reporting complaints about the local election official that is  
21 administering the election; and

22 (3) include mailing addresses or Internet websites, as  
23 available, to which voters may direct complaints to the federal,  
24 state, or local governments about the conduct of elections.

1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.