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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

- 2 relating to the designation of a candidate as an incumbent on a
  3 primary ballot.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 172, Election Code, is
- 6 amended by adding Section 172.0851 to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 172.0851. DESIGNATION OF INCUMBENCY FOR CANDIDATES.
- 8 For each office that appears on the primary election ballot or a
- 9 runoff primary election ballot, the ballot must indicate a
- 10 candidate who is an incumbent for that office adjacent to the
- 11 candidate's name in a manner prescribed by the secretary of state.
- 12 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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