Amend CSHB 2173 (senate committee printing) in SECTION 30 of the bill, by striking amended Section 171.0231(d), Election Code (page 10, lines 58-66) and substituting the following:

(d) A declaration of write-in candidacy must be filed not later than 6 [5] p.m. of the fifth [62nd] day after the date of the regular filing deadline for the general primary election [before general primary election day. However, if a candidate whose name is to appear on the ballot for the office of county chair or precinct chair dies or is declared ineligible after the third day before the date of the regular filing deadline prescribed by this subsection, a declaration of write-in candidacy for the office sought by the deceased or ineligible candidate may be filed not later than 5 p.m. of the 59th day before election day].