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H.B. No. 360

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to ballot language for a proposition to approve the
3 imposition or increase of a tax or the issuance of bonds.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 52.072, Election Code, is amended by
6 adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

7 (e) In addition to any other requirement imposed by law for
8 a proposition, including a provision prescribing the proposition
9 language, a proposition allowing the voters to approve the
10 imposition or increase of a tax or the issuance of bonds shall
11 specifically state:

12 (1) as applicable:

13 (A) the total dollar amount of bonds that will be
14 issued; or

15 (B) the amount of the tax or tax rate increase;
16 and

17 (2) in plain language and in not more than three
18 sentences, any projects to be supported by the bonds.

19 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
20 to an election ordered on or after the effective date of this Act.
21 An election ordered before the effective date of this Act is
22 governed by the law in effect when the election was ordered.

23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.