By: Lewis H.B. No. 804

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 804:

By: Cook C.S.H.B. No. 804

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the offense of illegal voting by a person who is not a
- 3 United States citizen.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 64, Election Code, is
- 6 amended by adding Section 64.013 to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 64.013. ILLEGAL VOTING BY PERSON WHO IS NOT UNITED
- 8 STATES CITIZEN. (a) A person commits an offense if the person is
- 9 <u>not a citizen of the United States and the person votes or attempts</u>
- 10 to vote in an election in this state.
- 11 (b) An offense under this section is a felony of the third
- 12 <u>degree.</u>
- 13 (c) It is an affirmative defense to prosecution for an
- 14 offense under this section that the person believed in good faith
- 15 that the person was a citizen of the United States.
- SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.