A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1   AN ACT

2 relating to provision by the secretary of state of notice to a

3 candidate of the form of the candidate's name that will appear on

4 the general election ballot.

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

6   SECTION 1. Section 161.008, Election Code, is amended by

7 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

8   (d) Not later than the 30th day before the date the

9 secretary of state makes a certification under this section, the

10 secretary of state shall provide notice by e-mail to each candidate

11 to be included in the certification who has provided an e-mail

12 address for that purpose. The notice must:

13   (1) contain the exact form for which the candidate's

14 name will be certified for placement on the ballot; and

15   (2) provide information to the candidate on how errors

16 in the form of the candidate's name may be corrected.

17   SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

21 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.