By: Sheffield H.B. No. 1904

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the deadlines for write-in candidates for the office of

3 county or precinct chair of a political party.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 171.0231(d), Election Code, is amended

6 to read as follows:

7 (d) A declaration of write-in candidacy must be filed not

8 later than 6 [5] p.m. of the fifth [62nd] day after the date of the

9 regular filing deadline for the general primary election [before

10 general primary election day]. However, if a candidate whose name

11 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

14 subsection, a declaration of write-in candidacy for the office

15 sought by the deceased or ineligible candidate may be filed not

16 later than 6 [5] p.m. of the eighth [59th] day after the date of the

17 regular filing deadline for the general primary election [before

18 election day].

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19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.