By: Sheffield, Isaac (Senate Sponsor - Estes) H.B. No. 1904 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 11, 2011; April 20, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs; May 21, 2011, reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 21, 2011, sent to printer.) 1-1 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5 1-6 1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1904 By: Duncan A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-8 AN ACT 1-9 1-10 relating to the deadlines for write-in candidates for the office of 1-11 county or precinct chair of a political party. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 1-12 1-13 SECTION 1. Section 171.0231(d), Election Code, is amended 1-14 1-15 to read as follows: (d) A declaration of write-in candidacy must be filed not 1-16 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 1-17 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 1-18 1-19 1-20 before the date of the regular filing deadline prescribed by this 1-21 subsection, a declaration of write-in candidacy for the office sought by the deceased or ineligible candidate may be filed not 1-22 1-23 later than 5 p.m. of the 59th day before election day. 1-24 1-25

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

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