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H.B. No. 2449

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the illegal possession of another person's ballot to be
voted by mail.

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

SECTION 1. Section 86.006, Election Code, is amended by
adding Subsection (g-1) to read as follows:

(g-1) When ballots or carrier envelopes are obtained in
violation of this section pursuant to one scheme or continuing
course of conduct, whether from the same or several sources, the
conduct may be considered as one offense and the number of ballots
or carrier envelopes aggregated in determining the grade of the
offense.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
governed by the law in effect when the offense was committed, and
the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For
purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the
effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred
before that date.

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