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H.B. No. 2585

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) Ballots or carrier envelopes that are possessed pursuant to a continuous course of conduct by a person over one or more days may be aggregated in determining the number of ballots or carrier envelopes a person possesses under Subsection (g).

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.