

By: Miller of Fort Bend, Miles

H.B. No. 666

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the elections to which certain applications for a  
3 ballot to be voted by mail are applicable.

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

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 86, Election Code, is amended by adding  
6 Section 86.0015 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 86.0015. APPLYING FOR MORE THAN ONE ELECTION IN SAME  
8 APPLICATION. (a) This section applies only to an application for a  
9 ballot to be voted by mail that:

10 (1) is submitted to the county clerk indicating the  
11 ground of eligibility is age or disability; and

12 (2) does not specify the election for which a ballot is  
13 requested.

14 (b) An application described by Subsection (a) is  
15 considered to be an application for a ballot for each election in  
16 which the county clerk serves as early voting clerk and:

17 (1) in which the applicant is eligible to vote; and

18 (2) that occurs before the earlier of:

19 (A) the end of the calendar year in which the  
20 application was submitted; or

21 (B) the date the county clerk receives notice  
22 from the voter registrar under Subsection (d) that the voter has  
23 submitted a change in registration information.

24 (c) An application described by Subsection (a) shall be

1 preserved for the period for preserving the precinct election  
2 records for the last election for which the application is  
3 effective.

4 (d) The voter registrar shall notify the county clerk  
5 following the receipt of a notice of a change in registration  
6 information under Section 15.021.

7 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
8 to an application for a ballot to be voted by mail received on or  
9 after the effective date of this Act.

10 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 2014.