

By: Miller of Fort Bend

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AN ACT

relating to the elections to which certain applications for a ballot to be voted by mail are applicable.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(2) that occurs before the earlier of:

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

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

(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.