By: S. Davis of Harris

H.B. No. 1428

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1428:

By: Morrison

C.S.H.B. No. 1428

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to inappropriate actions by the early voting ballot board;
- 3 creating an offense.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 87, Election Code, is
- 6 amended by adding Section 87.006 to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 87.006. INAPPROPRIATE ACTION BY BOARD. (a) The
- 8 presiding judge of the early voting ballot board commits an offense
- 9 <u>if the presiding judge knowingly:</u>
- 10 (1) accepts the ballot of an ineligible voter; or
- 11 (2) refuses to accept the ballot of a person whose
- 12 acceptance for voting is required by this code.
- 13 (b) The early voting clerk shall report the commission of an
- 14 offense under this section to the county or district attorney
- 15 having jurisdiction and the secretary of state.
- 16 (c) An offense under this section is a Class A misdemeanor.
- 17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.