By: Miller of Fort Bend (Senate Sponsor - Fraser) H.B. No. 1996 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 9, 2013; May 9, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs; May 15, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 15, 2013, sent to printer.) 1-1 1**-**2 1**-**3 1-4 1-5

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1-8	Duncan	Х	-		
1-9	Deuell	Х			
1-10	Ellis	Х			
1-11	Fraser	Х			
1-12	Huffman			Χ	
1-13	Lucio	X			
1-14	Nichols	X			
1-15	Van de Putte	X			
1-16	Williams	Х			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to certain political party officials visiting a primary 1-20 election polling place for administrative purposes.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 172, Election Code, is amended by adding Section 172.1113 to read as follows:

Sec. 172.1113. COUNTY CHAIR PERMITTED IN POLLING PLACE. (a) In this section, "voting period" means the period beginning when the polls open for voting and ending when the polls close or the last voter has voted, whichever is later.

(b) The county chair of a political party conducting a primary election may be in a polling place during the voting period

as necessary to perform administrative functions related to the

conduct of the election.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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