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H.B. No. 2682

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to restrictions on activities a poll watcher may perform
3 while on duty.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 33.058(a), Election Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (a) While on duty, a watcher may not:

8 (1) converse with an election officer regarding the
9 election, except to call attention to an irregularity or violation
10 of law;

11 (2) converse with a voter; ~~or~~

12 (3) communicate in any manner with a voter regarding
13 the election; or

14 (4) use any device to produce or make an audio, visual,
15 or audiovisual broadcast, recording, or photograph.

16 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
17 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
18 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
19 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
20 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.