By: Villarreal H.B. No. 2707

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the form of the ballot proposition to be used in an
- 3 election to approve a school district tax rate that exceeds the
- 4 rollback tax rate.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 26.08(b), Tax Code, is amended to read as
- 7 follows:
- 8 (b) The governing body shall order that the election be held
- 9 in the school district on a date not less than 30 or more than 90
- 10 days after the day on which it adopted the tax rate. Section
- 11 41.001, Election Code, does not apply to the election unless a date
- 12 specified by that section falls within the time permitted by this
- 13 section. At the election, the ballots shall be prepared to permit
- 14 voting for or against the proposition: "Approving the ad valorem
- 15 tax rate of \$_____ per \$100 valuation in (name of school district)
- 16 for the current year, a rate that is \$_____ higher per \$100
- 17 valuation than the school district rollback tax rate, for the
- 18 purpose of (description of purpose of increase)." The ballot
- 19 proposition must include the adopted tax rate and the difference
- 20 between that rate and the rollback tax rate in the appropriate
- 21 places.
- 22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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- 1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 2 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.