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H.B. No. 2959

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the removal of electronic voting system equipment from
3 the polling place.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 125.063, Election Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 Sec. 125.063. SECURING EQUIPMENT ON CLOSE OF VOTING. (a) An
8 election officer may not disassemble or remove electronic voting
9 system equipment or any component of the equipment from the polling
10 place until the close of voting.

11 (b) On the close of voting at each polling place at which
12 electronic voting system equipment is used, an election officer
13 shall secure or inactivate the equipment as prescribed by the
14 secretary of state so that its unauthorized operation is prevented.

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