AN ACT
relating to the election of directors of the board of the Ector County Hospital District.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
SECTION 1. Section 1024.053, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1024.053. BALLOT PETITION. A person who wants to have the person's name printed on the ballot as a candidate for director must file with the board secretary a petition requesting that action. The petition must:
(1) be signed by at least 50 registered voters of the district as determined by the most recent official list of registered voters;
(2) be filed not later than $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on the same [62nd] day that an application for a place on the ballot must be filed under Section 144.005, Election Code [before the date of the election]; and
(3) specify the single-member district [eommissionexs precinct] the candidate wants to represent [ox specify that the candidate wants to represent the district at large].

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

1 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

President of the Senate
Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3097 was passed by the House on May 2 , 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 147, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3097 was passed by the Senate on May 20, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0 .

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: $\qquad$
Date

Governor

