

By: Miller of Fort Bend

H.B. No. 1986

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the manner of state financing of primary elections.

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

SECTION 1. Section 173.0832, Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 173.0832. DIRECT REPAYMENT TO AUTHORITY CONDUCTING PRIMARY ELECTION UNDER CONTRACT ~~[IN CERTAIN COUNTIES].~~ The ~~[On request of a county election officer of a county with a population of 100,000 or more who conducts a primary election under an election services contract authorized under Subchapter D, Chapter 31, the]~~ secretary of state shall ~~[may]~~ provide payment of primary expenses directly to a county election officer who conducts a primary election under an election services contract authorized under Subchapter D, Chapter 31, ~~[the officer who incurs the expense]~~ rather than to the county chair under this subchapter. The secretary of state shall prescribe procedures to implement this section.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.