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H.B. No. 2027

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2027:

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C.S.H.B. No. 2027

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to establishing precincts for elections held on a uniform
3 election date by certain political subdivisions.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 42.002, Election Code, is amended by
6 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c) to read as
7 follows:

8 (a) The county election precincts are the election
9 precincts for the following elections:

10 (1) the general election for state and county
11 officers;

12 (2) a special election ordered by the governor;

13 (3) a primary election;

14 (4) a countywide election ordered by the commissioners
15 court, county judge, or other county authority, except an election
16 subject to Section 42.062(2); and

17 (5) as provided by Section 42.0621, any other election
18 held by ~~[on the November uniform election date of]~~ a political
19 subdivision on a uniform election date ~~[, other than a district that~~
20 ~~is created under Section 52, Article III, or Section 59, Article~~
21 ~~XVI, Texas Constitution, and is located in a county with a~~
22 ~~population of more than 3.3 million or a county adjacent to a county~~
23 ~~with a population of more than 3.3 million].~~

24 (c) Subsection (a)(5) does not apply to an election held on

1 the May uniform election date by a political subdivision that
2 conducts early voting by personal appearance at each permanent or
3 temporary branch polling place on the same days and during the same
4 hours as voting is conducted at the main early voting polling place.

5 SECTION 2. The heading to Section 42.0621, Election Code,
6 is amended to read as follows:

7 Sec. 42.0621. PRECINCTS FOR ELECTIONS HELD ON A UNIFORM
8 ELECTION DATE [~~NOVEMBER ELECTION~~].

9 SECTION 3. Section 42.0621(a), Election Code, is amended to
10 read as follows:

11 (a) In an election held on a [~~the November~~] uniform election
12 date, the political subdivisions to which Section 42.002(a)(5)
13 applies shall use the regular county election precincts.

14 SECTION 4. Section 43.004(b), Election Code, is amended to
15 read as follows:

16 (b) If a political subdivision holds an election on a [~~the~~
17 ~~November~~] uniform election date and is required to use the regular
18 county election precincts, the political subdivision shall
19 designate as the polling places for the election the regular county
20 polling places in the county election precincts that contain
21 territory from the political subdivision.

22 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.