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H.B. No. 2856

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to acceptable forms of identification for voting.

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

SECTION 1. Section 63.0101, Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 63.0101. DOCUMENTATION OF PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION. The following documentation is an acceptable form of photo identification under this chapter:

(1) a driver's license, election identification certificate, or personal identification card issued to the person by the Department of Public Safety that has not expired or that expired no earlier than 60 days before the date of presentation;

(2) a United States military identification card that contains the person's photograph that has not expired or that expired no earlier than 60 days before the date of presentation;

(3) a United States citizenship certificate issued to the person that contains the person's photograph;

(4) a United States passport issued to the person that has not expired or that expired no earlier than 60 days before the date of presentation; ~~or~~

(5) a license to carry a concealed handgun issued to the person by the Department of Public Safety that has not expired or that expired no earlier than 60 days before the date of presentation; or

1 (6) a student identification card issued by a high
2 school located in the state or an institution of higher education or
3 a private or independent institution of higher education as those
4 terms are defined by Section 61.003, Education Code, that:

5 (A) contains the person's photograph; and

6 (B) is accompanied by proof of current enrollment
7 issued by the high school or institution.

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