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H.B. No. 3832

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to voting a limited ballot.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 112.002(a) and (d), Election Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) After changing residence to another county, a person is eligible to vote a limited ballot on election day, by personal appearance during the early voting period, or by mail if:

(1) the person would have been eligible to vote in the county of former residence on election day if still residing in that county;

(2) the person is registered to vote in the county of former residence at the time the person:

(A) offers to vote in the county of new residence; or

(B) submitted a voter registration application in the county of new residence; and

(3) a voter registration for the person in the county of new residence is not effective on or before election day.

(d) A statement executed under Subsection (c) shall be submitted:

(1) to an election officer at the ~~[main early voting]~~ polling place ~~[, if the person is voting by personal appearance]~~; or

(2) with the person's application for a ballot to be

1 voted by mail, if the person is voting by mail.

2 SECTION 2. Section 112.004, Election Code, is amended to
3 read as follows:

4 Sec. 112.004. OFFICES AND MEASURES ON WHICH VOTER ENTITLED
5 TO VOTE. A person voting a limited ballot is entitled to vote only
6 on[+

7 [~~(1)~~] each office and proposition stating a measure to
8 be voted on statewide[~~, and~~

9 [~~(2) each office and proposition stating a measure to~~
10 ~~be voted on in a territorial unit of which the person was a resident~~
11 ~~both before changing county of residence and after the change].~~

12 SECTION 3. Section 112.006, Election Code, is amended to
13 read as follows:

14 Sec. 112.006. PLACE FOR VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE. A
15 person may vote a limited ballot by personal appearance at any early
16 voting polling place or on election day at a countywide polling
17 place or the polling place located in the precinct of new residence
18 [~~only at the main early voting polling place].~~

19 SECTION 4. Section 112.009, Election Code, is amended to
20 read as follows:

21 Sec. 112.009. PREPARING VOTING MACHINE. Before permitting
22 a person to vote a limited ballot on a voting machine, the county
23 [~~early voting~~] clerk shall adjust the machine so that votes may be
24 cast only on each office and proposition stating a measure to be
25 voted on statewide [~~the offices and propositions stating measures~~
26 ~~on which the voter is entitled to vote].~~

27 SECTION 5. Section 112.010(a), Election Code, is amended to

1 read as follows:

2 (a) If [~~early~~] voting [~~by personal appearance~~] is conducted
3 by voting machine, the county [~~early voting~~] clerk may conduct [~~the~~
4 ~~personal appearance~~] voting of limited ballots by using official
5 ballots for early voting by mail.

6 SECTION 6. Section [112.011](#), Election Code, is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 Sec. 112.011. INFORMATION FOR LIMITED BALLOT [~~ON DISTRICT~~
9 ~~COMPOSITION~~]. [~~(a)~~] In each even-numbered year, the secretary of
10 state shall prepare information on each office and proposition
11 stating a measure to be voted on statewide [~~the territorial~~
12 ~~composition of each district for which an officer of the state~~
13 ~~government is regularly elected at the general election for state~~
14 ~~and county officers~~].

15 [~~(b)~~] ~~The information must include the data necessary to~~
16 ~~enable an early voting clerk to determine the district offices on~~
17 ~~which a voter under this chapter is eligible to vote.~~

18 [~~(c)~~] The secretary shall deliver the information to each
19 county clerk before the 20th day before general primary election
20 day.

21 SECTION 7. Section [112.012](#), Election Code, is amended to
22 read as follows:

23 Sec. 112.012. NOTIFICATION TO VOTER REGISTRAR. Not later
24 than the 30th day after receipt of an application for a limited
25 ballot, the county [~~early voting~~] clerk shall notify the voter
26 registrar for the voter's former county of residence that the voter
27 has applied for a limited ballot.

1 SECTION 8. Section [112.008](#), Election Code, is repealed.

2 SECTION 9. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.