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H.B. No. 3961

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the suspension of an election judge or clerk.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 32, Election Code, is amended by adding Section 32.0553 to read as follows:

Sec. 32.0553. SUSPENSION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR VIOLATION. (a)

The secretary of state shall adopt rules and procedures to allow the official administering an election to immediately suspend and replace an election judge or clerk who fails to comply with the provisions of this code.

(b) The rules and procedures adopted under this section must include a process for a review and reinstatement of a suspended election judge's or clerk's eligibility if the election judge or clerk is not finally convicted of an offense in connection with the violation.

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