

SENATE AMENDMENTS

2nd Printing

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H.B. No. 2027

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to establishing precincts for elections held on a uniform election date by certain political subdivisions.

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

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

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

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

(2) a special election ordered by the governor;

(3) a primary election;

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

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

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

1 the May uniform election date by a political subdivision that:

2 (1) conducts early voting by personal appearance at
3 each permanent or temporary branch polling place on the same days
4 and during the same hours as voting is conducted at the main early
5 voting polling place; or

6 (2) has not established a permanent or temporary
7 branch early voting polling place.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

ADOPTED

MAY 21 2015

Leta Spaw
Secretary of the Senate

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. 1

BY: *Kelly Harmon*

1 Amend H.B. No. 2027 (senate committee printing) in SECTION 1
2 of the bill, in added Section 42.002(c)(1), Election Code (page 1,
3 lines 44 through 47), by striking Subdivision (1) and substituting
4 the following:

5 (1) conducts early voting by personal appearance:

6 (A) at 75 percent or more of its permanent or
7 temporary branch polling places on the same days and during the same
8 hours as voting is conducted at the main early voting polling place;
9 and

10 (B) at each remaining polling place for at least
11 two consecutive days of voting during the early voting period, and
12 for at least eight hours on each of the two consecutive days; or

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 21, 2015

TO: Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2027 by Bonnen, Greg (Relating to establishing precincts for elections held on a uniform election date by certain political subdivisions.), **As Passed 2nd House**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Election Code to specify the county election precincts are the election precincts for an election held by a political subdivision on a uniform election date as provided by Chapter 42, Election Code.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Wise County and Rockwall County reported no significant fiscal impact is anticipated.

Source Agencies:

LBB Staff: UP, EK, AG, SD

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Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 5, 2015

TO: Honorable Joan Huffman, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2027 by Bonnen, Greg (Relating to establishing precincts for elections held on a uniform election date by certain political subdivisions.), **As Engrossed**

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FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2015

TO: Honorable Jodie Laubenberg, Chair, House Committee on Elections

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB2027** by Bonnen, Greg (Relating to establishing precincts for elections held on a uniform election date by certain political subdivisions.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

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Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

March 22, 2015

TO: Honorable Jodie Laubenberg, Chair, House Committee on Elections

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2027 by Bonnen, Greg (Relating to establishing precincts for elections held on a uniform election date.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Election Code to specify the county election precincts are the election precincts for an election held by a political subdivision on a uniform election date as provided by Section 42.062, Election Code.

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