

Amend CSHB 2691 by adding the following SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Section 85.010(b), Election Code, amended to read as follows:

(b) A political subdivision that holds an election described by Subsection (a) shall designate as an early voting polling place for the election ~~[any]~~ the main early voting polling place of the county, other than a polling place established under Section 85.062(e), established by the county and located in the political subdivision.

SECTION _____. Section 172.126(a), Election Code, is amended to read as follows: JOINT PRIMARIES AUTHORIZED. (a) The primary elections in a county ~~[may]~~ shall be conducted jointly at the regular polling places designated for the general election for state and county officers. The county clerk shall supervise the overall conduct of the joint primary elections. This section applies to the conduct of joint primary elections notwithstanding and in addition to other applicable provisions of this code. The decision to conduct a joint general primary election or runoff primary election, as applicable, must be made by majority vote of the full membership of the commissioners court and with the unanimous approval of the county clerk and the county chair of each political party required to nominate candidates by primary election.

SECTION _____. Section 271.003(a), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A regular county polling place shall ~~[may]~~ be used for a common polling place in a joint election.

SECTION _____. Section 271.002(c), Election Code, is repealed.