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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the use of school district buildings as polling place

3 locations.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 37.108, Education Code, is amended by

6 adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

7 (e) A school district shall include in its multihazard

8 emergency operations plan a policy for school district property

9 selected for use as a polling place under Section 43.031, Election

10 Code. In developing the policy under this subsection, the board of

11 trustees may consult with the local law enforcement agency with

12 jurisdiction over the school district property selected as a

13 polling place regarding reasonable security accommodations that

14 may be made to the property. This subsection may not be interpreted

15 to require the board of trustees to obtain or contract for the

16 presence of law enforcement or security personnel for the purpose

17 of securing a polling place located on school district property.

18 Failure to comply with this subsection does not affect the

19 requirement of the board of trustees to make a school facility

20 <u>available for use as a polling place under Section 43.031, Election</u>

21 Code.

22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.