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H.B. No. 530

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 530:

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C.S.H.B. No. 530

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the delivery of certain voter registration
3 certificates.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 13.144, Election Code, is amended by
6 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c) to read as
7 follows:

8 (a) Except as provided by Subsection (c), not ~~[Not]~~ later
9 than the 30th day after the date the registrar receives the
10 application, the registrar shall deliver the original of an initial
11 certificate:

12 (1) in person to the applicant or the applicant's agent
13 appointed under Section 13.003; or

14 (2) by mail to the applicant.

15 (c) The registrar may not deliver an initial certificate
16 during the 30 days immediately preceding an election in which the
17 applicant's registration will not be effective but shall deliver
18 the certificate in the manner prescribed by Subsection (a) not
19 later than the 45th day after the date the registrar receives the
20 application.

21 SECTION 2. Section 14.001, Election Code, is amended by
22 adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

23 (e) Notwithstanding Subsection (d), the registrar may not
24 deliver a renewal certificate during the 30 days immediately

1 preceding an election in which the applicant's registration will
2 not be effective.

3 SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies only
4 to a voter registration certificate for which an application is
5 received by the voter registrar on or after September 1, 2017.

6 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.