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H.B. No. 530

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the delivery of certain voter registration certificates.

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

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

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

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

(2) by mail to the applicant.

(c) The registrar may not deliver an initial certificate during the 30 days immediately preceding an election in which the applicant's registration will not be effective.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a voter registration certificate for which an application is received by the voter registrar on or after September 1, 2017.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.