By: Arévalo H.B. No. 962

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT
2	relating to a study on the feasibility of electronic voter
3	registration and applications for a ballot to be voted by mail for
4	overseas military personnel.
5	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
6	SECTION 1. Chapter 101, Election Code, is amended by adding
7	Subchapter D to read as follows:
8	SUBCHAPTER D. FEASIBILITY STUDY OF ONLINE PROCESSES FOR OVERSEAS
9	MILITARY PERSONNEL
10	Sec. 101.151. FEASIBILITY STUDY OF ONLINE PROCESSES FOR
11	OVERSEAS MILITARY PERSONNEL. (a) The secretary of state shall
12	conduct a study to consider the feasibility of creating an entirely
13	electronic process for a person eligible for early voting by mail
14	under Section 101.001(2)(A) or (B) to:
15	(1) register to vote; and
16	(2) request an early voting ballot to be voted by mail.
17	(b) The study must examine what assistance the secretary of
18	state could provide to counties to facilitate implementation of the
19	processes described by Subsection (a).
20	Sec. 101.152. EXPIRATION. This subchapter expires
21	September 1, 2019.
22	SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
23	a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
24	provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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- 1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 2 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.