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H.B. No. 1103

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1103:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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2 relating to excluding a person on the suspense list from jury duty  
3 and the use of the address of a person submitted by the voter  
4 registrar to the secretary of state in preparing a jury wheel.

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

6 SECTION 1. Sections 62.001(d) and (g), Government Code, are  
7 amended to read as follows:

8 (d) The list required by Subsection (a)(1) must [~~(c) may~~]  
9 exclude~~[, at the option of the voter registrar of each county,~~] the  
10 names of persons on the suspense list maintained under Section  
11 15.081, Election Code.

12 (g) The secretary of state shall accept the lists furnished  
13 as provided by Subsections (c) through (f). The secretary of state  
14 shall combine the lists, eliminate duplicate names, and send the  
15 combined list to each county on or before December 31 of each year  
16 or as may be required under a plan developed in accordance with  
17 Section 62.011. If the lists provide different addresses for a  
18 person, the combined list prepared by the secretary of state must  
19 include only the address submitted by the voter registrar. The  
20 district clerk or bailiff designated as the officer in charge of the  
21 jury selection process for a county that has adopted a plan under  
22 Section 62.011 shall give the secretary of state notice not later  
23 than the 90th day before the date the list is required. The list  
24 furnished the county must be in a format, electronic or printed

1 copy, as requested by the county and must be certified by the  
2 secretary of state stating that the list contains the names  
3 required by Subsections (c) through (f), eliminating duplications.  
4 The secretary of state shall furnish the list free of charge.

5 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
6 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
7 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
8 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
9 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.