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H.B. No. 1262

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the use of a school as a polling place.

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

SECTION 1. Section 43.031, Election Code, is amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

(f) Notwithstanding Subsection (c), if the building selected for a polling place under this section is a school, the entity that owns or controls the building may deny the authority holding the election use of the building as a polling place if the entity that owns or controls the building can demonstrate that using the building as a polling place is reasonably likely to result in unsecured access to students on the building's campus. This subsection does not apply if classes are suspended during the time the building is in use as a polling place. The secretary of state shall adopt rules for the administration of this subsection.

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