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H.B. No. 1893

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1893:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to an election services contract between a county
3 elections administrator and a political party.

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

5 SECTION 1. Sections 31.092(b), (d), and (e), Election Code,
6 are transferred to Section 31.093, Election Code, redesignated as
7 Sections 31.093(c), (d), and (e), Election Code, respectively, and
8 amended to read as follows:

9 (c) ~~[(b)]~~ On request of the county chair of a political
10 party holding a primary election in the county, the [The] county
11 election officer shall [may] contract with the county executive
12 committee of the [a political] party [holding a primary election in
13 the county] to perform election services, as provided by this
14 subchapter, in the party's general primary election and [or] runoff
15 primary election in accordance with a cost schedule agreed on by the
16 contracting parties[, or both].

17 (d) In a contract required ~~[authorized]~~ by Subsection (c)
18 ~~[(b)]~~, the county election officer may not prevent the county chair
19 or the chair's designee from supervising the conduct of the primary
20 election, including the tabulation of results, as required by
21 Chapter 172.

22 (e) A [If a] county election officer [enters into a contract
23 with a county executive committee under Subsection (b) to perform
24 election services, the officer] must offer to contract on the same

1 terms with the county executive committee of each political party
2 holding a primary election in the county.

3 SECTION 2. Section 31.093(a), Election Code, is amended to
4 read as follows:

5 (a) If requested to do so by a political subdivision [~~or~~
6 ~~political party~~], the county elections administrator shall enter
7 into a contract to furnish the election services requested, in
8 accordance with a cost schedule agreed on by the contracting
9 parties.

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