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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to polling place locations under the countywide polling place program.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 43.007(f), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(f)  In selecting countywide polling places, a county must adopt a methodology for determining where each polling place will be located. The county may locate a countywide polling place in every precinct in the county. The total number of countywide polling places may not be less than:

(1)  except as provided by Subdivision (2), 50 percent of the number of precinct polling places that would otherwise be located in the county for that election; or

(2)  for an election held in the first year in which the county participates in the program, 65 percent of the number of precinct polling places that would otherwise be located in the county for that election.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2019.