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S.B. No. 1913

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to requiring certain cities to hold elections on the  
3 November uniform election date.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 41.001(a), Election Code, is amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 (a) Except as otherwise provided by this subchapter, each  
8 general or special election in this state shall be held on one of  
9 the following dates:

10 (1) the first Saturday in May in an odd-numbered year,  
11 for an election other than an election held by a city with a  
12 population of 1.18 million or more, located predominantly in a  
13 county that has a total area of less than 1,000 square miles, that  
14 has adopted a council-manager form of government;

15 (2) the first Saturday in May in an even-numbered  
16 year, for an election held by a political subdivision other than a  
17 city with a population of 1.18 million or more, located  
18 predominantly in a county that has a total area of less than 1,000  
19 square miles, that has adopted a council-manager form of  
20 government, or a county; or

21 (3) the first Tuesday after the first Monday in  
22 November.

23 SECTION 2. Section 41.0052, Election Code, is amended by  
24 adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

1        (f) The governing body of a city with a population of 1.18  
2 million or more, located predominantly in a county that has a total  
3 area of less than 1,000 square miles, that has adopted a  
4 council-manager form of government and that holds its general  
5 election for officers on a date other than the November uniform  
6 election date shall, not later than December 31, 2020, change the  
7 date on which it holds its general election for officers to the  
8 November uniform election date. This subsection expires January 1,  
9 2021.

10        SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.