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S.B. No. 53

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to an application for an early voting ballot by mail.

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

4 SECTION 1. Section 84.001, Election Code, is amended by  
5 amending Subsection (e) and adding Subsection (e-1) to read as  
6 follows:

7 (e) Except as provided by Subsection (e-1), an application  
8 ~~[An applicant]~~ for a ballot to be voted by mail serves as an  
9 application both ~~[may apply]~~ for a ballot ~~[ballots]~~ for the main  
10 election and for any resulting runoff election ~~[on the same~~  
11 ~~application]~~. If an application ~~[for the main election and any~~  
12 ~~resulting runoff]~~ is not timely for the main election, it will be  
13 considered timely for any resulting runoff if received not later  
14 than the deadline, determined using the date of the runoff  
15 election, for submitting a regular application for a ballot to be  
16 voted by mail.

17 (e-1) An applicant for a ballot to be voted by mail for the  
18 main election may request not to receive a ballot for a resulting  
19 runoff election.

20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect on the 91st day after the  
21 last day of the legislative session.