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1 Amend C.S.S.B. No. 1 (house committee report) as follows: 2 (1) Strike page 35, lines 4-17, and substitute the following: 3 cause any <u>false</u> or intentionally misleading 4 statement, representation, or information to be provided: 5 (A) to an election official; or 6 (B) on an application for ballot by mail, carrier 7 envelope, or any other official election-related form or document; 8 (4) prevent a voter from casting a legal ballot in an 9 election in which the voter is eligible to vote; 10 (5) provide false information to a voter with the intent of preventing the voter from voting in an election in which the 11 12 voter is eligible to vote; 13 (6) cause the ballot not to reflect the intent of the 14 voter; 15 (7) cause a ballot to be voted for another person that 16 the person knows to be deceased or otherwise knows not to be a 17 qualified or registered voter; 18 (8) cause or enable a vote to be cast more than once in the same election; or 19 20 (9) discard or destroy a voter's completed ballot 21 without the voter's consent. 22 (b) An offense under this section is a Class A misdemeanor, 23 unless: 24 (1) the person committed the offense while acting in the person's capacity as an elected official, in which case the offense 25

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is a state jail felony; or

- 1 (2) the person is convicted of an attempt, in which case
- 2 the offense is a Class B [A] misdemeanor.
- 3 (2) Strike page 38, lines 17-21, and substitute the following:
- 4 Sec. 276.018. PERJURY IN CONNECTION WITH CERTAIN ELECTION
- 5 PROCEDURES. (a) A person commits an offense if, with the intent to
- 6 deceive, the person knowingly or intentionally makes a false
- 7 <u>statement or swears to the truth of a false statement:</u>
- 8 <u>(1) on a voter registration application; or</u>
- 9 (2) previously made while making an oath, declaration,
- 10 or affidavit described by this code.
- 11 (b) An offense under this section is a state jail felony.
- 12 (3) Strike page 44, line 23, through page 45, line 14, and
- 13 substitute the following:
- 14 SECTION 9.03. Section 64.012, Election Code, is amended by
- 15 amending Subsections (a) and (b) and adding Subsections (c) and
- 16 (d) to read as follows:
- 17 (a) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or
- 18 intentionally:
- 19 (1) votes or attempts to vote in an election in which
- 20 the person knows the person is not eligible to vote;
- 21 (2) [knowingly] votes or attempts to vote more than once
- 22 in an election;
- 23 (3) [knowingly] votes or attempts to vote a ballot
- 24 belonging to another person, or by impersonating another person;
- 25 [<del>or</del>]
- 26 (4) [knowingly] marks or attempts to mark any portion of
- 27 another person's ballot without the consent of that person, or
- 28 without specific direction from that person how to mark the ballot;
- 29 or
- 30 (5) votes or attempts to vote in an election in this
- 31 state after voting in another state in an election in which a

- 1 federal office appears on the ballot and the election day for both
- 2 states is the same day.
- 3 (b) An offense under this section is a Class A misdemeanor
- 4 [felony of the second degree unless the person is convicted of an
- 5 attempt. In that case, the offense is a state jail felony].
- 6 (4) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to
- 7 ARTICLE 2 of the bill and renumber the SECTIONS of that ARTICLE
- 8 accordingly:
- 9 SECTION 2.\_\_\_. Section 13.007, Election Code, is amended to
- 10 read as follows:
- 11 Sec. 13.007. FALSE STATEMENT ON APPLICATION. (a) A person
- 12 commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally:
- 13 <u>(1)</u> makes a false statement; or
- 14 (2) requests, commands, coerces, or attempts to induce
- 15 another person to make a false statement on a registration
- 16 application.
- 17 (b) An offense under this section is a Class A  $[\frac{1}{2}]$
- 18 misdemeanor.
- 19 (c) If conduct that constitutes an offense under this section
- 20 also constitutes an offense under another law, the actor may be
- 21 prosecuted under this section, the other law, or both. [For
- 22 purposes of this code, an offense under this section is considered
- 23 to be perjury, but may be prosecuted only under this section.