Amend **CSSB 1** (house committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to ARTICLE 3 of the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of that ARTICLE accordingly:

SECTION 3.____. Chapter 127, Election Code, as effective September 1, 2021, is amended by adding Subchapter J to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER J. RANDOMIZED AUDITS

Sec. 127.351. RANDOMIZED COUNTY AUDITS. (a) Immediately after the uniform election date in November of an even-numbered year, the secretary of state shall conduct an audit of the elections held in four counties during the previous two years.

(b) The secretary of state shall select the counties to be audited under Subsection (a) at random, except that:

(1) two of the counties selected must have a total population of less than 300,000;

(2) two of the counties selected must have a total population of 300,000 or more; and

(3) a county selected in the most recent audit cycle may not be selected in the current audit cycle.

(c) A county selected to be audited may not pay the cost of performing an audit under this section.

(d) The secretary of state shall adopt rules as necessary to implement this section.