

Amend CSSB 1 (house committee report) as follows:

(1) Strike page 35, lines 4-17, and substitute the following:

(3) cause any false or intentionally misleading statement, representation, or information to be provided:

(A) to an election official; or

(B) on an application for ballot by mail, carrier envelope, or any other official election-related form or document;

(4) prevent a voter from casting a legal ballot in an election in which the voter is eligible to vote;

(5) provide false information to a voter with the intent of preventing the voter from voting in an election in which the voter is eligible to vote;

(6) cause the ballot not to reflect the intent of the voter;

(7) cause a ballot to be voted for another person that the person knows to be deceased or otherwise knows not to be a qualified or registered voter;

(8) cause or enable a vote to be cast more than once in the same election; or

(9) discard or destroy a voter's completed ballot without the voter's consent.

(b) An offense under this section is a Class A misdemeanor, unless:

(1) the person committed the offense while acting in the person's capacity as an elected official, in which case the offense is a state jail felony; or

(2) the person is convicted of an attempt, in which case the offense is a Class B [A] misdemeanor.

(2) Strike page 38, lines 17-21, and substitute the following:

Sec. 276.018. PERJURY IN CONNECTION WITH CERTAIN ELECTION PROCEDURES. (a) A person commits an offense if, with the intent to deceive, the person knowingly or intentionally makes a false statement or swears to the truth of a false statement:

(1) on a voter registration application; or

(2) previously made while making an oath, declaration,

or affidavit described by this code.

(b) An offense under this section is a state jail felony.

(3) Strike page 44, line 23, through page 45, line 14, and substitute the following:

SECTION 9.03. Section 64.012, Election Code, is amended by amending Subsections (a) and (b) and adding Subsections (c) and (d) to read as follows:

(a) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally:

(1) votes or attempts to vote in an election in which the person knows the person is not eligible to vote;

(2) [~~knowingly~~] votes or attempts to vote more than once in an election;

(3) [~~knowingly~~] votes or attempts to vote a ballot belonging to another person, or by impersonating another person; [~~or~~]

(4) [~~knowingly~~] marks or attempts to mark any portion of another person's ballot without the consent of that person, or without specific direction from that person how to mark the ballot; or

(5) votes or attempts to vote in an election in this state after voting in another state in an election in which a federal office appears on the ballot and the election day for both states is the same day.

(b) An offense under this section is a Class A misdemeanor [~~felony of the second degree unless the person is convicted of an attempt. In that case, the offense is a state jail felony~~].

(4) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to ARTICLE 2 of the bill and renumber the SECTIONS of that ARTICLE accordingly:

SECTION 2.____. Section 13.007, Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 13.007. FALSE STATEMENT ON APPLICATION. (a) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally:

(1) makes a false statement; or

(2) requests, commands, coerces, or attempts to induce another person to make a false statement on a registration

application.

(b) An offense under this section is a Class A [~~B~~] misdemeanor.

(c) If conduct that constitutes an offense under this section also constitutes an offense under another law, the actor may be prosecuted under this section, the other law, or both. [~~For purposes of this code, an offense under this section is considered to be perjury, but may be prosecuted only under this section.~~]