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H.B. No. 27

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the creation, suspension, or alteration of voting
3 standards, practices, or procedures.

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

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 1, Election Code, is amended by adding
6 Section 1.022 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 1.022. ALTERATION OF VOTING STANDARDS, PRACTICES, OR
8 PROCEDURES. An election official of this state or a political
9 subdivision of this state may not create, suspend, or alter any
10 voting standard, practice, or procedure in a manner not otherwise
11 expressly authorized by this code.

12 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
13 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
14 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
15 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
16 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the
17 legislative session.