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S.B. No. 51

## 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 <u>for</u> any resulting runoff election [<del>on the same</del>
- 11  $\frac{\text{application}}{\text{application}}$ . 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 <u>(e-1)</u> 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.