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H.B. No. 1183

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to eligibility requirements for public office and to the form of an application for a place on the ballot.

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

SECTION 1. Section 141.031, Election Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(e) In support of the statement required by Subsection (a)(4)(G), a candidate shall provide a certified copy of the candidate's pardon or other documentation evincing removal of disability.

SECTION 2. Section 141.039, Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 141.039. OFFICIAL APPLICATION FORM. In addition to the other statements and spaces for entering information that appear on an officially prescribed form for an application for a place on the ballot, each official form for an application that a candidate is required to file under this code must include:

(1) a space for indicating the form in which the candidate's name is to appear on the ballot;

(2) a space for the candidate's public mailing address;

(3) spaces for the candidate's home and office telephone numbers and e-mail address at which the candidate receives correspondence relating to the candidate's campaign;

1 [~~and~~]

2 (4) a statement informing candidates that the
3 furnishing of the telephone numbers is optional; and

4 (5) a notice adjacent to the statement required by
5 Section 141.031(a)(4)(G), printed in boldfaced type and capital
6 letters, that reads: "RESTORATION OF VOTING RIGHTS IS NOT THE SAME
7 AS REMOVAL OF DISABILITY FOR PURPOSES OF SATISFYING ELIGIBILITY
8 REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC OFFICE.".

9 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.