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H.B. No. 3491

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3491:

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C.S.H.B. No. 3491

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the security of electronic voting system media.

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

SECTION 1. Section 129.051, Election Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

(b) The general custodian of election records shall develop a procedure for tracking the custody of each electronic information storage medium from its storage location, through election coding and the election process, to its final post-election disposition and return to storage. The chain of custody must require two or more individuals to perform a check and verification check whenever a transfer of custody occurs, and must include the maintenance of a log signed by the individuals and containing the serial number or other unique identifier of the medium.

(h) The secretary of state shall create a standard form for maintaining the log under Subsection (b).

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.