

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 87TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**March 10, 2021**

**TO:** Honorable Briscoe Cain, Chair, House Committee on Elections

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB463** by Shaheen (Relating to ineligibility to serve as a poll watcher.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

This bill would amend the Texas Election Code to change the eligibility requirements for poll watchers. Currently, a person is ineligible to serve as poll watcher if they have been convicted of an offense in connection with conduct directly attributable to an election. The bill would extend this prohibition to include all felony offenses and any misdemeanor offense in connection with conduct directly attributable to an election.

According to the Secretary of State, no significant fiscal impact is anticipated.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 307 Secretary of State

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