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H.B. No. 5143

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to accommodating a voter unable to enter a polling place.

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

SECTION 1. Section 64.009, Election Code, is amended by amending Subsection (d) and adding Subsection (d-1) to read as follows:

(d) On the voter's request for assistance in marking the ballot, two election officers shall provide assistance in marking the ballot in the manner prescribed by Section 64.032 ~~[a person accompanying the voter shall be permitted to select the voter's ballot and deposit the ballot in the ballot box]~~.

(d-1) Any person accompanying the voter shall exit the vehicle and remain outside of the vehicle unless the person is selected by the voter under Section 64.032(c).

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.