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S.B. No. 1750

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to abolishing the county elections administrator position
in certain counties.

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

SECTION 1. The heading to Subchapter B, Chapter 31,
Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER B. COUNTY ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR IN CERTAIN COUNTIES

SECTION 2. Section 31.031(a), Election Code, is amended to
read as follows:

(a) The commissioners court of a county with a population of
3.5 million or less by written order may create the position of
county elections administrator for the county.

SECTION 3. Subchapter B, Chapter 31, Election Code, is
amended by adding Section 31.050 to read as follows:

Sec. 31.050. ABOLISHMENT OF POSITION AND TRANSFER OF DUTIES
IN CERTAIN COUNTIES. On September 1, 2023, all powers and duties of
the county elections administrator of a county with a population of
more than 3.5 million under this subchapter are transferred to the
county tax assessor-collector and county clerk. The county tax
assessor-collector shall serve as the voter registrar, and the
duties and functions of the county clerk that were performed by the
administrator revert to the county clerk, unless a transfer of
duties and functions occurs under Section 12.031 or 31.071.

SECTION 4. On the effective date of this Act, a county that

1 has a county elections administrator and a population of more than
2 3.5 million shall transfer employees, property, and records as
3 necessary to accomplish the abolishment of the position of county
4 elections administrator under this Act.

5 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.