

1-1 By: Hughes, Hagenbuch S.B. No. 11  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed July 21, 2025; July 21, 2025, read  
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;  
1-4 July 24, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable Committee  
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 10, Nays 1; July 24, 2025,  
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	X			
1-10	X			
1-11	X			
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1-20 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 11 By: Hughes

1-21 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-22 AN ACT

1-23 relating to the duty of the attorney general to prosecute criminal  
1-24 offenses prescribed by the election laws of this state.

1-25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-26 SECTION 1. Chapter 402, Government Code, is amended by  
1-27 adding Subchapter E to read as follows:

1-28 SUBCHAPTER E. PROSECUTION OF CRIMINAL OFFENSES PRESCRIBED BY STATE  
1-29 ELECTION LAWS

1-30 Sec. 402.151. APPLICABILITY. This subchapter applies to a  
1-31 criminal offense under the Election Code.

1-32 Sec. 402.152. PROVISION OF INFORMATION TO ATTORNEY GENERAL.

1-33 (a) A law enforcement agency shall submit to the attorney general  
1-34 any report stating there is probable cause to believe an identified  
1-35 person has committed a criminal offense described by Section  
1-36 402.151.

1-37 (b) A local prosecuting attorney or law enforcement agency  
1-38 shall provide any information requested by the attorney general  
1-39 regarding investigations of criminal offenses described by Section  
1-40 402.151 to assist the attorney general in performing duties  
1-41 required under this subchapter.

1-42 Sec. 402.153. PROSECUTION. Notwithstanding any other law,  
1-43 the attorney general has jurisdiction to prosecute and shall  
1-44 represent the state in the prosecution of a criminal offense  
1-45 described by Section 402.151.

1-46 SECTION 2. Sections 273.021(a) and (b), Election Code, are  
1-47 amended to read as follows:

1-48 (a) The attorney general has jurisdiction to [may]  
1-49 prosecute and shall represent the state in the prosecution of a  
1-50 criminal offense prescribed by the election laws of this state as  
1-51 provided by Subchapter E, Chapter 402, Government Code.

1-52 (b) The attorney general may appear before a grand jury in  
1-53 connection with a criminal [an] offense the attorney general is  
1-54 authorized to prosecute under Subsection (a).

1-55 SECTION 3. Section 273.022, Election Code, is amended to  
1-56 read as follows:

1-57 Sec. 273.022. COOPERATION WITH LOCAL PROSECUTOR. The  
1-58 attorney general may direct the county or district attorney serving  
1-59 the county in which the offense is to be prosecuted to prosecute a  
1-60 criminal [an] offense that the attorney general is authorized to

2-1 prosecute under Section 273.021 or to assist the attorney general  
2-2 in the prosecution.

2-3 SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to  
2-4 an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An  
2-5 offense committed before the effective date of this Act is governed  
2-6 by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed, and the  
2-7 former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of  
2-8 this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of  
2-9 this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

2-10 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect on the 91st day after the  
2-11 last day of the legislative session.

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