

By: Bettencourt
(Troxclair)

S.B. No. 1025

Substitute the following for S.B. No. 1025:

By: Noble

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the text of ballot propositions that increase taxes.

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

SECTION 1. Section 52.072(e), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(e) In addition to any other requirement imposed by law for a proposition, including a provision prescribing the proposition language, a proposition submitted to the voters for approval of the imposition, increase, or reduction of a tax shall, except as otherwise required by this subsection, be printed in mixed-case typewritten letters and ~~[specifically state]~~, as applicable:

(1) with respect to a proposition that only seeks voter approval of the imposition or increase of a tax:

(A) state ~~[7]~~ the amount of or maximum tax rate of the tax or tax increase for which approval is sought; and

(B) include, at the top of the proposition in capital typewritten letters of the same font size as the rest of the proposition, the statement "THIS IS A TAX INCREASE"; or

(2) with respect to a proposition that only seeks voter approval of the reduction of a tax, state the amount of tax rate reduction or the tax rate for which approval is sought.

SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to an election ordered on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
4 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.