

1-1 By: Bettencourt S.B. No. 1025
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 30, 2025; February 24, 2025,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government;
1-4 March 17, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 5,
1-5 Nays 1; March 17, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Bettencourt	X			
1-9	Middleton	X			
1-10	Cook		X		
1-11	Gutierrez			X	
1-12	Nichols	X			
1-13	Paxton	X			
1-14	West	X			

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the text of ballot propositions that increase taxes.
1-18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-19 SECTION 1. Section 52.072(e), Election Code, is amended to
1-20 read as follows:
1-21 (e) In addition to any other requirement imposed by law for
1-22 a proposition, including a provision prescribing the proposition
1-23 language, a proposition submitted to the voters for approval of the
1-24 imposition, increase, or reduction of a tax shall, except as
1-25 otherwise required by this subsection, be printed in mixed-case
1-26 typewritten letters and [specifically state], as applicable:
1-27 (1) with respect to a proposition that only seeks
1-28 voter approval of the imposition or increase of a tax:
1-29 (A) state[7] the amount of or maximum tax rate of
1-30 the tax or tax increase for which approval is sought; and
1-31 (B) include, in capital typewritten letters of
1-32 the same font size as the rest of the proposition, the statement
1-33 "THIS IS A TAX INCREASE"; or
1-34 (2) with respect to a proposition that only seeks
1-35 voter approval of the reduction of a tax, state the amount of tax
1-36 rate reduction or the tax rate for which approval is sought.
1-37 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
1-38 an election ordered on or after the effective date of this Act.
1-39 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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