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S.B. No. 2819

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the restrictions on political activities of a county elections administrator.

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

SECTION 1. Section 31.035(a), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A county elections administrator may not be a candidate for a public office or an office of a political party, hold a public office, ~~[or]~~ hold an office of or position in a political party, or hold another office or position appointed by an elected official.

At the time an administrator becomes a candidate or accepts an office or position in violation of this subsection, the administrator vacates the position of administrator.

SECTION 2. Section 31.035(a), Election Code, as amended by this Act, applies only to the appointment of a county elections administrator that occurs on or after the effective date of this Act. A person who is serving as county elections administrator immediately before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law as it existed immediately before the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.