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Submitted to the Committee on Elections
For HB 3909

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Hearing Date: April 17, 2025 10:30 AM - or upon final adjourn./recess or bill referral if permission granted

Debbie Wolgemuth, Ms.
Self Employed - Accounting
Waco, TX, TX

OPPOSE - The language in this bill is weak and needs reworking.

Patricia Cummings
Self
Lorena, TX

Due to the weak language in this bill. I oppose it.

Jake Wilson
Self - CPA
Fort Worth, TX

I support HB 3909 by Representative Hickland relating to the use of a wireless communication device at a polling place.

Also, thank you to Representative Hickland for coauthoring HB 1425!

Thank You,

Jake Wilson
Fort Worth, TX
SD9 and HD91

Will McLeod
self
San Antonio, TX

Against. 100 feet is a reasonable distance for wireless communication restrictions. Amend bill to allow ONLY for AUDIO recording at polling place regardless of distance in order to hold poll workers accountable. I voted in 2002 at Cooper Elementary School during the Republican Primary of 2002, when I told them I wanted the REPUBLICAN ballot the poll worker told me that I was the ONLY ONE. Audio recording would have held her accountable for her behavior.

Laura Gallier
Self-retired CPA
Houston, TX

Please support this bill. I'm an election worker, and have also done election protection work. I can't think of a reason to prohibit the use of a wireless device outside a polling place. I'm not completely sure why we can't use them inside the polling place, but certainly outside is OK.

Rhonda Ward
SREC SD 3
Nacogdoches, TX

I am opposed to this bill. This bill would allow cell phone use in the polling location and close to voting stations. This will cause voter intimidation. The wording needs to be changed to say cell phone use is NOT allowed in the voting station room or within sight of a voting station.

Gaylyn DeVine
Self, Business Owner, SREC SD11
Pearland, TX

OPPOSED—Using cell phones in the polling location or even close to the voting stations can cause disruption and voter intimidation. The wording could be changed to NOT allow cell phones in the voting station or within sight of the voting station, which would make it more acceptable.

Kathy Turner
Self
Mcgregor, TX

Oppose, not strong enough

Marina Trevino
Pct chair 0655-self
Friendswood, TX

Please vote “Against” this bill. Thank you.

Susan Valliant
SREC SD10, SREC Election Integrity Committee, Texas First group, Tarrant County GOP Elections Subcommittee
Arlington, TX

I am opposed to this bill. Electronic devices have been known to interfere with other electronic machines. Cell phone use can also be intimidating to other voters where voters may use the cameras on their phone. It would be difficult for Election officials to monitor at busy polling locations. It puts an unnecessary burden on the Election workers. Please vote no on this bill. Thank you.

THEODORE CROY
SELF
China Spring, TX

OPPOSE

Julie Croy, Mrs
self
China Spring, TX

I strongly oppose this bill.

Joyce Curtis, TSGT

self

Alvarado, TX

100% SUPPORT PROHIBITING USE OF WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICES OF ANY & ALL TYPES AT POLLING PLACES.

Laura Pressley, Ph.D.

True Texas Elections, LLC

Copperas Cove, TX

Representative Hickland, this is a technologically dangerous bill and oppose it.

The 100 foot limit for wireless devices is important and needed to protect our elections. Blue-tooth devices reach 100 feet. This is the one of the strongest reasons to maintain no wireless devices within that distance to prevent hacking into the wireless servers, pollbooks, and modems at polls.

Karen Plante

Self

Houston, TX

I oppose this bill as it is written because I feel it interferes in the integrity of the voting process for numerous reasons.

Devvie Duke

Self

McGregor, TX

I oppose this bill. The privacy of the voter must be protected

Ed Zenner, SREC SD23

Self

DeSoto, TX

Please vote AGAINST

Brenda K Estis

SELF / Retired / SREC SD15 Committeewoman

Houston, TX

I am OPPOSED to this bill.

Sophia Mirto

Self

Austin, TX

I fully support allowing parents to text their children in line to vote, and citizens to use their phones (without taking photos or recording) while waiting in line to vote.