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Elections

Betty Messing

Chief Clerk of the House

By Rapdale

HB. No. 210

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

# HOUSE

# COMMITTEE REPORT

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By Ragsdale

H.B. No. 210

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 210:

By Russell

C.S.H.B. No. 210

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(c) During the final month of each school semester, a person serving as a deputy voter registrar under this Act shall distribute an officially prescribed voter registration form to each high school student who has or will turn eighteen years of age during that semester. The form shall be accompanied by a notice informing the student or employee that he or she may submit the application in person or by mail to the voter registrar of the county in which the registrant resides or in person to the person serving as a deputy voter registrar under this Act for delivery to the voter

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COMMITTEE REPORT

The Honorable Gib Lewis  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

4-26-83  
(date)

Sir:

We, your COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS, to whom was referred HB 210 have had the same under consideration and beg to report back with the recommendation that it (measure)

- ( ) do pass, without amendment.
- ( ) do pass, with amendment(s).
- (x) do pass and be not printed; a Complete Committee Substitute is recommended in lieu of the original measure.

A fiscal note was requested. (x) yes ( ) no

An author's fiscal statement was requested. ( ) yes (x) no

An actuarial analysis was requested. ( ) yes (x) no

The Committee recommends that this measure be placed on the (Local) or (Consent) Calendar.

This measure (x) proposes new law.  
( ) amends existing law.

House Sponsor of Senate Measure \_\_\_\_\_

The measure was reported from Committee by the following vote:

	AYE	NAY	PNV	ABSENT
Lee, E.F., Ch.	✓			
Staniswalis, V.C.		✓		
Garcia, A.C., C.B.O.	✓			
Gandy	✓			
Hill, G.				✓
Horn				✓
Kubiak	✓			
Patronella	✓			
Russell	✓			

Total 6 aye  
1 nay  
0 present, not voting  
2 absent

El Franco Lee  
CHAIRMAN

Rynolds  
COMMITTEE COORDINATOR

BY: Ragsdale

BILL ANALYSIS

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Under current law, there are no provisions which specifically address the problems of registration of high school age voters. In some counties, difficulties have been experienced in going onto high school campuses to register eligible students to vote.

PURPOSE

To appoint high school principals or persons designated by the principal of public high schools to serve as deputy voter registrars to receive applications from students or employees of high schools or institutions.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS OF COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

SECTION 1: Amends Article 5.20a, Vernon's Texas Election Code, by adding Subdivision 6 as follows:

(a) States that public high school principals or persons designated by the principal shall act as deputy registrars to receive voter registration applications from high school students and employees.

(b) Provides that person acting as deputy registrar may only distribute applications to and accept applications from students and employees of the school or institution.

(c) Provides that voter registration form shall be accompanied by a notice informing the student or employee that application may be submitted to voter registrar in their county or may be submitted in person to person serving as deputy voter registrar.

SECTION 3: Emergency Clause.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill delegates no additional rulemaking authority to any state officer, agency, department or institution.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE ACTION

Public notice was posted in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the House of Representatives and a public hearing was held on February 22, 1983.

The bill was referred to a subcommittee consisting of the following members: Chair, Mr. S. Russell, Mr. Gandy, and Mr. G. Hill. On April 26 H.B. 210 was reported to the full committee with a committee substitute.

On April 26 the full committee voted to report H.B. 210 to the House with a committee substitute and the recommendation that it do pass by a record vote of 6 ayes, 1 nay, and 2 absent.

Mr. Bob Slagle, Chairman, State Democratic Party of Texas, testified in favor of H.B. 210.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL BILL TO SUBSTITUTE

The committee substitute adds language to provide that a principal may designate an individual to serve as deputy registrar. The substitute also adds language which states that the person acting as registrar may only distribute applications to and accept applications from students and employees of that school or institution. It also adds language which provides that the voter registration form shall be accompanied by a notice informing the student or employee that the application may be submitted to the voter registrar in their county or that it may be submitted in person to the person serving as deputy voter registrar.

This bill proposes new law.

# LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD

Austin, Texas

## FISCAL NOTE

February 17, 1983

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Committee on Elections  
House of Representatives  
Austin, Texas

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Source: Secretary of State;  
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By S. Russell

CSHB 210

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**ADOPTED**

MAY 9 1983

*Betty Murray*  
Chief Clerk  
House of Representatives

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

ENGROSSED  
SECOND READING

By Ragsdale

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AMENDMENT BY RAGSDALE

Amend HB 210, SECTION 1, adding the following language to proposed  
Subdivision 6:

(d) The Secretary of State shall issue the instructions necessary  
to implement this Act.

**ADOPTED**

MAY 10 1983

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# HOUSE ENGROSSMENT

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H.B. 210 by Ragsdale (Edwards)

Relating to the designation and service of certain public school officials as deputy voter registrars.

Background Information:

Under current law, there exist no provisions which specifically address the problems of registration of voters who are of high school age.

Problems that the Bill Addresses:

In certain counties in this state, difficulties have arisen with the ability to go onto high school campuses to register eligible students to vote.

How This Bill Will Solve the Problem(s):

This bill appoints high school principals or persons designated by the principal of a public high school to serve as deputy voter registrars to distribute and accept voter register applications from students and employees of the school institution.

This bill amends existing law.

Section by Section Analysis:

SECTION 1: Amends Article 52a, Texas Election Code (Article 5.20a, V.T.E.C.), by adding Subdivision 6:

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(d) Requires that the secretary of state issue the instructions necessary to implement this Act.

SECTION 2: Emergency Clause.

Changes in Agency Rulemaking Authority:

None.

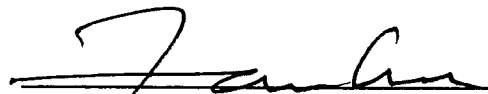


REQUEST FOR LOCAL & UNCONTESTED CALENDAR  
PLACEMENT

Hon. Roy Blake, Chairman  
Administration Committee

Sir:

Pursuant to S.R. 148, notice is hereby given that H.B. 210, by: Edwards,  
was heard by the Committee on State Affairs on 5/25, 1983  
and reported out with the recommendation that it be placed on the Local and Uncontested  
Calendar.

  
Chairman of the reporting committee

**IMPORTANT:** THIS FORM MUST BE ATTACHED TO A PRINTED COPY OF THE BILL  
OR RESOLUTION, WHICH ALONG WITH 7 ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THE BILL OR  
RESOLUTION SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO THE OFFICE OF THE COMMITTEE ON  
ADMINISTRATION, ROOM G-27J. PLEASE CALL 5-1134 IF YOU HAVE ANY  
QUESTIONS. DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING BILLS FOR THE LOCAL CALENDAR IS  
5:00 P.M. MONDAYS.

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ENROLLED

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H.B. No. 210

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 210 was passed by the House on May 10, 1983, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 210 was passed by the Senate on May 29, 1983, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor

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By Rapdale

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DEC 15 1982

1. Filed with the Chief Clerk.

FEB 8 1983

2. Read first time and Referred to Committee on

Elections

APR 27 1983

4-26-83

3. Reported favorably (~~as amended~~  
(as substituted) and sent to Printer at 5:45 pm

APR 28 1983

4. Printed and distributed at 6:09 pm

April 29, 1983

5. Sent to Committee on Calendars at 2:08 pm

MAY 9 1983

6. Read second time (~~amended~~); passed to third reading (~~failed~~) by (Non-Record Vote)  
(Record Vote of as substituted years, present, not voting).

7. Motion to reconsider and table the vote by which H.B. \_\_\_\_\_ was ordered  
engrossed prevailed (failed) by a (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote of \_\_\_\_\_ years,  
\_\_\_\_\_ nays, and \_\_\_\_\_ present, not voting).

8. Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days suspended (failed  
to suspend) by a four-fifths vote of \_\_\_\_\_ years, \_\_\_\_\_ nays, and \_\_\_\_\_  
present, not voting.

MAY 10 1983

9. Read third time (~~amended~~) finally passed (~~failed~~) by (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote  
of \_\_\_\_\_ years, \_\_\_\_\_ nays, \_\_\_\_\_ present, not voting).

10. Caption ordered amended to conform to body of bill.

11. Motion to reconsider and table the vote by which H. B. \_\_\_\_\_ was finally passed  
prevailed (failed) by a (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote of \_\_\_\_\_ years, \_\_\_\_\_  
nays, and \_\_\_\_\_ present, not voting).

MAY 10 1983

12. Ordered Engrossed at 10:40 am

MAY 10 1983

13. Engrossed.

MAY 10 1983

14. Returned to Chief Clerk at 2:31 pm

MAY 10 1983

15. Sent to Senate.

Betty Murray  
Chief Clerk of the House

MAY 10 1983

16. Received from the House

MAY 11 1983

17. Read, referred to Committee on STATE AFFAIRS

MAY 26 1983

18. Reported favorably

19. Reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute; Committee Substitute read  
first time.

MAY 26 1983

20. Ordered not printed.

21. Regular order of business suspended by

(a viva voce vote.)  
(\_\_\_\_\_ years, \_\_\_\_\_ nays.)

MAY 29 1983

22. To permit consideration, reading and passage, Senate and Constitutional Rules suspended by vote of \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays.

*Laid before Senate*

23. Read second time \_\_\_\_\_ passed to third reading by:

(a viva voce vote.)

\_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays.

MAY 29 1983

24. Caption ordered amended to conform to body of bill.

25. Senate and Constitutional 3-Day Rules suspended by vote of 30 yeas, 1 nays to place bill on third reading and final passage.

MAY 29 1983

26. Read third time and passed by

(a viva voce vote.)

(31 yeas, 0 nays.)

OTHER ACTION:

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*Betty King*  
Secretary of the Senate

5-29-83

MAY 29 1983

27. Returned to the House.

28. Received from the Senate (~~With amendments~~)  
(~~as substituted~~)

29. House (Concurred) (Refused to Concur) in Senate (Amendments) (Substitute) by a (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote of \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays, \_\_\_\_\_ present, not voting).

30. Conference Committee Ordered.

31. Conference Committee Report Adopted (Rejected) by a (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote of \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays, and \_\_\_\_\_ present, not voting).

MAY 29 1983

32. Ordered Enrolled at 4:30 pm

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