

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 1067  
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Elections  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

It has been suggested that omitting deceased candidates from the ballot in certain elections would save political subdivisions both time and resources. H.B. 1067 seeks to provide the authorization to omit from the ballot certain candidates who die before the ballots are prepared.

### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### **ANALYSIS**

H.B. 1067 amends the Election Code to authorize the authority responsible for preparing the ballots in an election other than the general election for state and county officers to choose to omit from the ballot a candidate who dies on or after the second day before the deadline for filing an application for a place on the ballot and before the ballots are prepared.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2019.