BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, county chairs of political subdivisions appoint election judges; however, the election process may be impeded if an election judge fails to be appointed. H.B. 2862 requires a county clerk to submit lists of eligible individuals to serve as election judge to the commissioners court.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 2862 requires certain lists to be submitted by the county clerk, and certain appointments to be made subsequently, by the commissioners court from those lists.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 32.002, Election Code, to require the county clerk to submit a list of individuals eligible for appointment as presiding judge and alternate presiding judge for certain precincts to the commissioners court, and requires an appointment to be made from that list. Requires the county clerk to submit a list of eligible appointees for the unexpired term to the commissioners court, and requires an appointment to be made from that list. Deletes text regarding a rejected list, and makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.