

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, the Election Code does not prohibit a polling place from being located in the home of a candidate for elective office or a home of relative to the candidate. In addition, the Election Code does not require certain write-in ballots to be provided automatically with a regular electronic system ballot. S.B. 1832 would prohibit certain polling place locations and require certain ballots to be provided automatically.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1832 prohibits certain polling place locations and requires certain ballots to be provided automatically.

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 43.031, Election Code, by adding Subsection (e), to prohibit a polling place from being located in certain residences.

SECTION 2. Amends Chapter 125C, Election Code, by adding Section 125.0611, as follows:

Sec. 125.0611. PROVIDING SEPARATE BALLOT PART FOR WRITE-IN VOTING.
Requires a ballot's separate write-in part to be provided with the electronic system ballot.
Prohibits a voter from being required to request a separate write-in part as a condition to being provided the part.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 4. Emergency clause.