

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

H.B. 1996 amends the Election Code to authorize the county chair of a political party conducting a primary election to be in a polling place during the voting period as necessary to perform administrative functions related to the conduct of the election.

H.B. 1996 amends current law relating to certain political party officials visiting a primary election polling place for administrative purposes.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Subchapter E, Chapter 172, Election Code, by adding Section 172.1113, as follows:

Sec. 172.1113. COUNTY CHAIR PERMITTED IN POLLING PLACE. (a) Defines "voting period" in this section.

(b) Authorizes the county chair of a political party conducting a primary election to be in a polling place during the voting period as necessary to perform administrative functions related to the conduct of the election.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2013.