

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

It has been suggested that the absence of street addresses on polling place location notices may discourage voters from seeking out a polling place if they are new to the county or otherwise unfamiliar with the area. H.B. 1241 seeks to address this issue by requiring a written notice of a polling place location to specify the street address of the polling place and any applicable building name.

H.B. 1241 amends the Election Code to require a written notice of a polling place location to state the building name, if any, and street address of the polling place.

H.B. 1241 amends current law relating to the content of a polling place location notice.

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 Chapter 1, Election Code, by adding Section 1.021, as follows:

Sec. 1.021. NOTICE OF POLLING PLACE LOCATION. Requires the written notice, when this code requires notice of a polling place location, to state the building name, if any, and the street address, including the suite or room number, if any, of the polling place.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2019.