

PROCLAMATION BY THE SPEAKER

APPOINTMENT OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON VOTER IDENTIFICATION AND VOTER FRAUD

In recognition of the justifiable reliance that all Texans should have in the integrity of the elections and in recognition of the fact that the Governor has declared legislation to require a voter to present proof of identification as an emergency, pursuant to Rule 1, Section 16 of the House Rules, I, Joe Straus, speaker of the house, create the House Select Committee on Voter Identification and Voter Fraud.

The committee shall study, review, and hear legislation related to voter identification that has been designated as an emergency item by the Governor of Texas. The committee shall study, review, and hear legislation related to the issuance and handling of ballots for an election, including issuance of ballots during early voting, during any write-in process, or during any election period, including election day. The committee shall also study issues related to voter fraud.

It is the Chair's intent that the Committee act on these charges as expeditiously as possible so as to ensure prompt consideration of any ensuing legislation by the entire House.

The committee shall have nine members.

The following members are hereby appointed to the House Select Committee on Voter Identification and Voter Fraud:

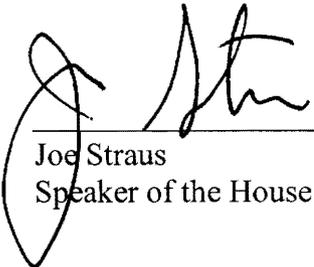
The following members are hereby appointed to the House Select Committee on Voter Identification and Voter Fraud:

The Honorable Dennis Bonnen, Chair
The Honorable Mark Veasey, Vice Chair
The Honorable Jose Aliseda
The Honorable Patricia Harless
The Honorable Roland Gutierrez
The Honorable Larry Taylor
The Honorable Scott Hochberg
The Honorable Aaron Pena
The Honorable Harvey Hilderbran

The committee shall file a final report in the manner provided by Rule 4, Section 61, House Rules, not later than December 31, 2012.

The committee expires on the date the 83rd Legislature convenes.

February 9th, 2011



Joe Straus
Speaker of the House