BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Section 145.036, Election Code, outlines the process for filling a vacancy in a nomination of a political party. However, the process is not explicitly clear. Under certain circumstances, there can be confusion about what the specifics of the process for filling a vacancy might be. H.B. 2784 would make current law clear about what the process is for filling a vacancy in a nomination of a political party.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 2784 outlines provisions regarding the filling of a vacancy in a nomination of a political party.

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 Sections 145.036(a) and (d), Election Code, to provide that the filling of a vacancy under this section is subject to party rule except as otherwise provided by this code. Authorizes a member of the executive committee making the replacement nomination who is otherwise eligible to hold the office in which the vacancy in nomination exists to be nominated under this section.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1997.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.