

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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H.B. 2922  
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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

H.B. 2922 establishes a hotline for the reporting of an existing or potential abuse of voter rights.

### **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 31A, Election Code, by adding Section 31.0055, as follows:

Sec. 31.0055. VOTING RIGHTS HOTLINE. Requires the secretary of state to establish a toll-free telephone number to allow a person to report an existing or potential abuse of voting rights. Requires a notice informing voters of the telephone number and the purpose for the number to be continuously posted in a prominent location at each polling place during the early voting period and on election day for each election held on a uniform election date. Requires the secretary of state to prescribe the form for the notice under this subsection.

SECTION 2. (a) Effective date: September 1, 2001.

(b) Requires the secretary of state to establish a toll-free telephone number and prescribe the form for the notice informing voters about the number as required by Section 31.0055, Election Code, as added by this Act, on or before November 1, 2001.