

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Section 16.036, Election Code, requires the voter registrar to notify a voter in writing if the voter's registration has been cancelled for the following reasons: the voter is ineligible to vote because of change of residence outside the county; the registrar has been notified that the voter is deceased; the voter has been deemed mentally incompetent; the voter has been convicted of a felony; the voter has cancelled the voter's registration; or the voter is no longer a United States Citizen. The statute requires that the notice be mailed immediately after the voter's registration is cancelled. The term "immediately" is not defined, which provides an uncertain time frame.

H.B. 1382 requires that the notice be mailed within 30 days after the voter's registration has been cancelled.

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 Section 16.036(a), Election Code, to require the [voter] registrar, immediately after, but not later than the 30th day after the date a voter's registration is cancelled under certain provisions, rather than immediately after cancellation of a voter's registration under certain provisions, to deliver written notice of the cancellation to the voter.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2005.