

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

A few times a year, counties may hire temporary personnel to work for a single day or up to a few weeks to help run elections. Interested parties note that these individuals understand that this employment is temporary and that it is limited to working in relation to a particular election, yet some of these individuals apply for and receive unemployment compensation benefits after the temporary employment has ended. H.B. 983 seeks to address this situation by excluding such employment from unemployment compensation benefits.

H.B. 983 amends current law relating to the eligibility of temporary election officers for unemployment compensation.

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 201.063(a), Labor Code, as follows:

(a) Provides that, in this subtitle, "employment" does not include:

(1) service in the employ of a political subdivision of or an instrumentality of a political subdivision that is wholly owned by one or more political subdivisions:

(A)-(C) Makes no change to these paragraphs;

(D)-(E) Makes a nonsubstantive change; or

(F) as an election official or worker if the remuneration received by the individual during the calendar year is less than \$1,000; or

(2)-(5) Makes no change to these subdivisions.

SECTION 2. Makes application of the change in law made by this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2013.