

1-1 By: Swanson, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 273  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 15, 2019;  
 1-3 April 16, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on State  
 1-4 Affairs; May 10, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote:  
 1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 10, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Huffman	X			
1-8 Hughes	X			
1-9 Birdwell	X			
1-10 Creighton	X			
1-11 Fallon	X			
1-12 Hall	X			
1-13 Lucio	X			
1-14 Nelson	X			
1-15 Zaffirini	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the time for providing a ballot to be voted by mail to a  
 1-20 voter.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 86.004(a), Election Code, is amended to  
 1-23 read as follows:

1-24 (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), the balloting  
 1-25 materials for voting by mail shall be mailed to a voter entitled to  
 1-26 vote by mail not later than the seventh calendar day after the later  
 1-27 of the date the clerk accepts the voter's application for a ballot  
 1-28 to be voted by mail or the date the ballots become available for  
 1-29 mailing, except that if that mailing date is earlier than the 37th  
 1-30 [~~45th~~] day before election day, the balloting materials shall be  
 1-31 mailed not later than the 30th day before election day.

1-32 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
 1-33 to an election ordered on or after September 1, 2019.

1-34 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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