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H.B. No. 438

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the use of a mechanical or electronic device by a person occupying a voting station.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 61.014(b), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A person may not use any mechanical or electronic means to record ~~[of recording]~~ images or sound within 100 feet of a voting station except that a person occupying a voting station may use a mechanical or electronic device to photograph the person's completed ballot.

SECTION 2. Section 62.0111(b), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The secretary of state shall prescribe the wording of a notice posted under this section, which may include a description of the exception provided by Section 61.014(b).

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2019.