A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT
relating to allowing military voters on active duty overseas to cast a ballot electronically.
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
SECTION 1. Section 105.001(a), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:
(a) The secretary of state shall prescribe procedures to allow a person who is casting an early voting ballot by mail to return the ballot by telephonic facsimile machine, e-mail, or similar electronic means if the person:
(1) is a member of the armed forces of the United States who is on active duty overseas, or the spouse or a dependent of the member;
and
(2) is casting the ballot from an area:
(A) in which members of the armed forces are eligible to receive hostile fire pay or imminent danger pay; or
(B) that has been designated by the president of the United States as a combat zone.
SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.