

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Under current law, a write-in vote in a general election for city officers may not be counted unless the name written in appears on the list of write-in candidates. As proposed, H.B. 444 modifies the write-in requirements for special city council elections to bring the same guidelines to special elections as regular elections.

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 146.051, Election Code, to provide that a write-in vote in a special election for city officers may not be counted unless the name appears on the list of write-in candidates.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2001.