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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the time of delivery to the early voting ballot board

3 for ballots voted by mail in certain counties.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 87.0222(a), Election Code, is amended to

6 read as follows:

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7 (a) Notwithstanding Section 87.024, in an election

8 conducted by an authority of a county with a population of 100,000

or more or conducted jointly with such a county, the jacket

10 envelopes containing the early voting ballots voted by mail may be

11 delivered to the board between the end of the ninth day before the

12 <u>last day of the period for early voting by personal appearance</u>

13 [election day] and the closing of the polls on election day, or as

14 soon after closing as practicable, at the time or times specified by

15 the presiding judge of the board.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.