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1 AN ACT 2 relating to the posting of certain notices in a primary election. 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: SECTION 1. Sections 172.1111(a) and (c), Election Code, are 4 5 amended to read as follows: 6 (a) Before the opening of the polls during the early voting 7 period and on election day, the presiding judge shall post at each outside door through which a voter may enter the building in which 8 9 the polling place is located a written notice in bold print of the 10 date, hour, and place for each precinct, county, senatorial, or state convention that a voter in the precinct may be eligible to 11 12 attend during the election year. 13 (c) The notice must remain posted continuously through the 14 early voting period and on election day. SECTION 2. Section 172.1112(a), Election Code, is amended 15 16 to read as follows: 17 (a) The county clerk shall post a notice of the election and a notice of consolidated precincts, if applicable, in the manner 18 prescribed by Section 4.003(b) for general and special elections. 19 20 The notice of the election shall be posted on the county clerk's 21 [party's] Internet website, if the county clerk [party] maintains a website. If the county clerk [party] does not maintain a website, 22 the notice shall be posted on the bulletin board used for posting 23

notice of meetings of the commissioners court.

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

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Speaker of the House

Cretify that H.B. No. 3252 was passed by the House on April 17, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 135, Nays 2, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3252 was passed by the Senate on May 22, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary & the Senate

APPROVED:

Date

Governor

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## **PROCLAMATION** BY THE Governor of the State of Texas 41-3664

## TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove of and veto House Bill No. 3252 as passed by the Eighty-Sixth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

House Bill 3252 would change how the public is notified about a primary election, but in a way that could cause confusion and is now unnecessary. House Bill 3252 would require that notice of a primary election be posted on the county clerk's website, but in Texas, some county clerks are not responsible for administering elections. And House Bill 2640, which I have signed into law, now requires the same notice of a primary election to be posted on the county's official website. Disapproving House Bill 3252 will help ensure that voters know where to find information about how to cast their ballot.

Since the Eighty-Sixth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, by its adjournment has prevented the return of this bill, I am filing these objections in the office of the Secretary of State and giving notice thereof by this public proclamation according to the aforementioned constitutional provision.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 15th day of June, 2019.

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GREG ABBOTT Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY: JOE ESPARZA

Deputy Secretary of State

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