Chapter 1339

S.B. No. 751

1	AN ACT
2	relating to the creation of a criminal offense for fabricating a
3	deceptive video with intent to influence the outcome of an
4	election.
5	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
6	SECTION 1. Section 255.004, Election Code, is amended by
7	adding Subsections (d) and (e) to read as follows:
8	(d) A person commits an offense if the person, with intent
9	to injure a candidate or influence the result of an election:
10	(1) creates a deep fake video; and
11	(2) causes the deep fake video to be published or
12	distributed within 30 days of an election.
13	(e) In this section, "deep fake video" means a video,
14	created with the intent to deceive, that appears to depict a real
15	person performing an action that did not occur in reality.
16	SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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nt of the Senate

Speaker of the House

hereby certify that S.B. No. 751 passed the Senate on April 17, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 25, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.__

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 751 passed the House, with amendment, on May 22, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 141, Nays 3, two present not voting.__

Approved:

13 - 2019
Date

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