## **CHAPTER 499**

## H.B. No. 2370

## AN ACT

relating to the disposition of the precinct convention records of a political party.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 174.027, Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 174.027. RECORDS OF CONVENTION. (a) The convention chairman shall prepare, sign, and make a copy of a list of the names and residence addresses of the delegates and any alternates selected by the convention.

- (b) The convention chairman shall sign and make a copy of the list of precinct convention participants required by Section 174.025(c).
- (c) The convention chairman shall deliver the originals and copies of the lists to the county *chairman* [elerk] not later than the third day after the date of the precinct convention, except that if delivered by mail, they shall be deposited in the mail not later than the second day after the date of the precinct convention.
- (d) [The county clerk shall sign and put a file mark on the originals and copies of the lists.] The county chairman [shall obtain the originals from the county clerk before the date of the county and senatorial district conventions. The county clerk] shall retain the copies of the lists until the end of the voting year in which they are received.
- (e) If senatorial district conventions will be held in the county, the county chairman shall deliver the originals of the lists to the temporary chairmen of the senatorial district conventions before the conventions convene.
  - (f) The original lists are not public information.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 1987.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on May 15, 1987, by a non-record vote. Passed by the Senate on May 29, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 17, 1987.

Effective Sept. 1, 1987.