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Senator Bettencourt informs DPS and SOS about flaws in voter and license registrations

84 people registered to vote at one UPS store, 1302 Waugh Dr., 22 have already voted as of Monday

Still no response from Harris County Tax Assessor-Collector & Voter Registrar Ann Harris Bennett

Houston - Senator Paul Bettencourt (R-Houston) has informed the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) and the Texas Secretary of State (SOS) about a discovered flaw in voter registrations and drivers license addresses. In a 100+ sites throughout Harris County, there are over well over 1000 voter registrations that list commercial addresses instead of using a residential address. For example, at 1302 Waugh Dr., people are using a mailbox number as a supposed apartment number, as clearly shown below. The same commercial addresses are also used on their driver's license and not the required physical address, a clear violation of the Real ID Act.

"It is preposterous to believe that 84 people live at this UPS store and that 22 of them have already voted in this election! I'm calling on Voter Registrar Ann Bennett (D-Harris County) to stop this practice by her office now. We can't let the integrity of the voter roll to become at risk," said Sen. Bettencourt

In addition, Texas is a Real ID state. Drivers License must be registered with a physical address for 9-1-1 purposes," said Senator Bettencourt at a press conference on Tuesday. "Letters from office were sent to DPS and the SOS on Thursday," he added. For more information see, www.bettencourt.senate.texas.gov

For more information, visit https://www.hctax.net/Voter/Search  (Search by Address)

*circled above is the apartment designator being allowed by the Harris County Voter Registrar

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