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As I understand it, this bill amends the law governing prohibition of certain political activities at a voting place to allow a candidate to orally communicate with voters the name of the office that the candidate is seeking in the election that day and the candidate's party or political designation, as it is listed on the ballot for the election that day, as long as the candidate does not attempt to influence their vote.

This is common sense legislation. As long as the candidate doesn't attempt to influence a voter, why keep this information a secret? Having stood outside the polling place as a candidate surrogate, and having watched the candidates introduce themselves, the current practice is pretty awkward, like you're hiding something.

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