

By Senator Posey

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See HM 37

1 Senate Memorial No. _____

2 A memorial to the Congress of the United
3 States, urging Congress to adopt legislation to
4 ensure fair voting consideration for absentee
5 ballots cast in federal elections by overseas
6 electors authorized to vote under the Uniformed
7 and Overseas Citizens Voting Act.

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9 Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11 That the Congress of the United States is requested to
12 adopt legislation, to be effective upon becoming a law, which:

13 (1) Ensures that each absentee ballot cast in a
14 federal election by an overseas elector authorized to vote
15 under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Voting Act is
16 counted as long as the elector is registered and the ballot is
17 signed by the elector and received by the appropriate election
18 official not later than 5 p.m. on the 10th day after the date
19 of the election, regardless of the manner of delivery or the
20 presence or absence of a postmark;

21 (2) Prohibits the enactment of any local ordinance,
22 state statute or rule, or other federal code, law, or rule
23 that in any way hinders or denies the consideration of
24 absentee ballots cast by overseas electors provided by such
25 legislation; and

26 (3) Supersedes all laws to the contrary and directs
27 the various states to amend or repeal all laws and rules to
28 the contrary.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this memorial be dispatched
30 to the President of the United States, the President of the
31 United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House

1 of Representatives, and to each member of the Florida
2 delegation to the United States Congress.

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