

Bill No. SB 2176

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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity  
(Sebesta) recommended the following **amendment to amendment**  
(844124):

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

On page 74, between lines 20 and 21,

insert:

Section 42. Effective August 1, 2006, section 101.573,  
Florida Statutes, is created to read:

101.573 Record of votes by precinct.--

(1) Within 75 days after the date of a local election  
or runoff, whichever occurs later, a presidential preference  
primary, or a general election, the supervisor of elections  
shall file with the Department of State precinct-level  
election results for that election cycle, including any  
primary elections. Precinct-level election results will record  
for each precinct the returns of ballots cast at the precinct  
location to which have been added the returns absentee and  
early-voted ballots cast by voters registered in the precinct.

(2) The Department of State shall adopt rules pursuant

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1 to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 prescribing the form by which  
2 supervisors of elections shall submit election results for  
3 each precinct.

4 Section 43. Subsection (3) is added to section 101.64,  
5 Florida Statutes, to read:

6 101.64 Delivery of absentee ballots; envelopes;  
7 form.--

8 (3) The supervisor shall mark, code, indicate on, or  
9 otherwise track the precinct of the absent elector for each  
10 absentee ballot.

11 Section 44. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section  
12 101.657, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

13 101.657 Early voting.--

14 (1)(a) The supervisor of elections shall allow an  
15 elector to vote early in the main or branch office of the  
16 supervisor by depositing the voted ballot in a voting device  
17 used by the supervisor to collect or tabulate ballots. The  
18 supervisor shall mark, code, indicate on, or otherwise track  
19 the voter's precinct for each early-voted ballot. In order for  
20 a branch office to be used for early voting, it shall be a  
21 full-service facility of the supervisor and shall have been  
22 designated as such at least 1 year prior to the election. The  
23 supervisor may designate any city hall or public library as  
24 early voting sites; however, if so designated, the sites must  
25 be geographically located so as to provide all voters in the  
26 county an equal opportunity to cast a ballot, insofar as is  
27 practicable. The results or tabulation may not be made before  
28 the close of the polls on election day.

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30 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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2 And the title is amended as follows:

3            On page 80, line 2, after the second semicolon,

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5 insert:

6            creating s. 101.573, F.S.; requiring the

7            supervisor of elections to file precinct-level

8            election results; requiring the Department of

9            State to adopt rules; amending ss. 101.64 and

10           101.657, F.S., relating to absentee ballots and

11           early voting; requiring that the supervisor of

12           elections indicate on each absentee or

13           early-voted ballot the precinct of the voter;

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