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Bill No. CS for CS for SB 866



<u>Senate</u>	CHAMBER ACTION	House
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Senator Rich moved the fo	ollowing amendmen t	t :
Senate Amendment (w:	ith title amendmen	nt)
Delete lines 961-994	4	
and insert:		
(6) <u>An individual e</u>	elector's signatu	re on a petition form
may be revoked only if su	uch elector submit	to the appropriate
supervisor of elections a	a signed petition-	-revocation form adopted
by rule for such purpose	by the division a	and obtained by a
written request directly	initiated by the	individual elector. The
petition-revocation form	for each correspo	onding petition form
under this code must be a	developed by the d	division and approved by
the Secretary of State an	nd made available	to any elector
requesting the form in w	riting. A valid pe	etition-revocation form

16 must contain the original signature of the individual elector,

17 and the individual elector must accurately record on the form

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provided to the individual elector directly by the appropriate 18 19 supervisor of elections the date on which he or she signed the petition-revocation form, as well as the individual elector's 20 name, street address, county, and voter registration number or 21 22 date of birth. An individual elector's petition-revocation form 23 shall be submitted by the individual elector to the appropriate supervisor of elections no later than 90 days after the date of 24 the individual elector's original petition signature. The 25 26 supervisor of elections receiving a petition-revocation form 27 directly from an individual elector shall promptly verify the 28 signature on the petition-revocation form and process such 29 revocation within 30 days after the date on which the form is 30 submitted. Any petition-revocation form verified after the 31 February 1 immediately preceding the next general election shall 32 not be considered valid unless the applicable initiative is not certified for ballot position in that election. This section does 33 34 not authorize a third party to solicit any individual's petition revocation or the creation of any committee to solicit the 35 36 revocation of any individual's petition signature.

37 (a) An elector's signature on a petition form may be 38 revoked within 150 days of the date on which he or she signed the 39 petition form by submitting to the appropriate supervisor of 40 elections a signed petition-revocation form adopted by rule for 41 this purpose by the division.

42 (b) The petition-revocation form and the manner in which 43 signatures are obtained, submitted, and verified shall be subject 44 to the same relevant requirements and timeframes as the 45 corresponding petition form and processes under this code and 46 shall be approved by the Secretary of State before any signature 47 on a petition-revocation form is obtained.

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48	(c) Supervisors of elections shall provide petition-
49	revocation forms to the public at all main and branch offices.
50	(d) The petition-revocation form shall be filed with the
51	supervisor of elections by February 1 preceding the next general
52	election or, if the initiative amendment is not certified for
53	ballot position in that election, by February 1 preceding the
54	next successive general election. The supervisor of elections
55	shall promptly verify the signature on the petition-revocation
56	form and process such revocation upon payment, in advance, of a
57	fee of 10 cents or the actual cost of verifying such signature,
58	whichever is less. The supervisor shall promptly record each
59	valid and verified petition-revocation form in the statewide
60	voter registration system in the manner prescribed by the
61	Secretary of State.
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64	And the title is amended as follows:
65	Delete lines 46-50
66	and insert:
67	determination of signature forms; providing that an
68	individual elector's signature on a petition form may
69	be revoked only under certain circumstances; providing
70	for the development and availability of such forms;
71	requiring that a valid petition-revocation form contain
72	certain information; requiring that a petition-
73	revocation form be submitted within a specified period
74	after the date of the individual elector's original
75	signature; requiring that a supervisor of elections
76	receiving a petition-revocation form verify the
77	signature within a specified period after receiving
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78	such form; providing that a petition-revocation form
79	verified after a specified date shall not be considered
80	valid unless the applicable initiative is not certified
81	for ballot position in the next general election;
82	limiting the applicability of certain provisions;
83	amending s.