

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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Representative A. Williams offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove lines 1456-1512 and insert:

101.657 Early voting.--

(1) (a) As a convenience to the voter, the supervisor of elections shall allow an elector to vote early in the main or branch office of the supervisor. The supervisor shall mark, code, indicate on, or otherwise track the voter's precinct for each early voted ballot. ~~In order for a branch office to be used for early voting, it shall be a permanent facility of the supervisor and shall have been designated and used as such for at least 1 year prior to the election.~~ The supervisor may also designate any city hall, ~~or~~ permanent public library facility, or any other facility open to the public as early voting sites; however, if so designated, the sites must be geographically

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17 | located so as to provide all voters in the county an equal
18 | opportunity to cast a ballot, insofar as is practicable. The
19 | results or tabulation of votes cast during early voting may not
20 | be made before the close of the polls on election day. Results
21 | shall be reported by precinct.

22 | (b) The supervisor shall designate each early voting site
23 | by no later than the 30th day prior to an election and shall
24 | designate an early voting area, as defined in s. 97.021, at each
25 | early voting site.

26 | (c) All early voting sites in a county shall be open on
27 | the same days for the same amount of time and shall allow any
28 | person in line at the closing of an early voting site to vote.

29 | (d) Early voting shall begin on the 15th day before an
30 | election and end on the 2nd day before an election. For purposes
31 | of a special election held pursuant to s. 100.101, early voting
32 | shall begin on the 8th day before an election and end on the 2nd
33 | day before an election. Early voting shall be provided for 8
34 | hours each day ~~per weekday and 8 hours in the aggregate each~~
35 | ~~weekend~~ at each site during the applicable periods. Early voting
36 | sites shall open no sooner than 7 a.m. and close no later than 7
37 | p.m. on each applicable day.

38 | (e) Notwithstanding the requirements of s. 100.3605,
39 | municipalities may provide early voting in municipal elections
40 | that are not held in conjunction with county or state elections.
41 | If a municipality provides early voting, it may designate as
42 | many sites as necessary and shall conduct its activities in
43 | accordance with the provisions of paragraphs (a)-(c). The
44 | supervisor is not required to conduct early voting if it is
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45 provided pursuant to this subsection.

46 (f) Notwithstanding the requirements of s. 189.405,
47 special districts may provide early voting in any district
48 election not held in conjunction with county or state elections.
49 If a special district provides early voting, it may designate as
50 many sites as necessary and shall conduct its activities in
51 accordance with the provisions of paragraphs (a)-(c). The
52 supervisor is not required to conduct early voting if it is
53 provided pursuant to this subsection.

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Remove lines 169-177 and insert:

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101.657, F.S.; removing conditions precedent to the use of
60 a supervisor's branch office for early voting; expanding
61 the facilities that may be designated as early voting
62 sites; revising the hours and days provided for early
63 voting; amending s. 101.6923, F.S.; revising