

Amendment No.

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<u>      </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	<u>      </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u>      </u>	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	<u>      </u>	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	<u>      </u>	(Y/N)
OTHER	<u>      </u>	

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Ethics & Elections  
 2 Subcommittee

3 Representative Broxson offered the following:

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5 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Remove lines 45-67 and insert:

7 in such election by identifying the ballot measure on which he  
 8 or she desires to vote and specifying his or her vote on the  
 9 measure. For purposes of this section, a vote cast in a judicial  
 10 merit retention election shall be treated in the same manner as  
 11 a ballot measure where the only allowable responses are "Yes"  
 12 and "No."

13 (c) In the case of a joint candidacy, such as for the  
 14 offices of President/Vice President or Governor/Lieutenant  
 15 Governor, a valid vote for one or both qualified candidates on  
 16 the same ticket shall constitute a vote for the joint candidacy.

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17 (d) For purposes of this subsection and except where the  
18 context clearly indicates otherwise, such as where a candidate  
19 in the election is affiliated with a political party whose name  
20 includes the word "Independent," "Independence," or a similar  
21 term, a voter designation of "No Party Affiliation" or  
22 "Independent," or any minor variation, misspelling, or  
23 abbreviation thereof, shall be considered a designation for the  
24 candidate, other than a write-in candidate, who qualified to run  
25 in the race with no party affiliation. If more than one  
26 candidate qualifies to run as a candidate with no party  
27 affiliation, the designation does ~~shall~~ not count for any  
28 candidate unless there is a valid, additional designation of the  
29 candidate's name.

30 (e) Any abbreviation, misspelling, or other minor  
31 variation in the form of the name of an office, the name of a  
32 candidate, the ballot measure, or the name of a political party  
33 must

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38 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

39 Remove lines 8-12 and insert:  
40 federal write-in absentee ballot; clarifying that a vote cast in  
41 a judicial merit retention election be treated in the same  
42 manner as a vote on certain ballot measures; making technical

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43 changes; amending s. 102.166, F.S.; revising minimum  
44 requirements for Department of State rules used in determining  
45 what constitutes a valid vote on a federal write-in absentee  
46 ballot; providing an effective  
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