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LEGISLATIVE ACTION .

Senate

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Senator Mayfield moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 290 - 478

and insert:

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Section 8. Subsection (3) of section 101.131, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

101.131 Watchers at polls.-

(3) Any elected official, No candidate, or sheriff, deputy 9 sheriff, police officer, or other law enforcement officer may 10 not be designated as a poll watcher.

Section 9. Subsection (10) is added to section 101.151,

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12	Florida Statutes, to read:
13	101.151 Specifications for ballots
14	(10) With respect to any certified voting system that uses
15	a voter interface device to designate the elector's ballot
16	selections on a printed sheet of paper, this section, s.
17	101.161, and ss. 101.2512-101.254 that prescribe the ballot
18	layout apply only to the display of candidates and issues on the
19	voter interface device.
20	Section 10. Subsection (2) of section 101.20, Florida
21	Statutes, is amended to read:
22	101.20 Publication of ballot form; sample ballots
23	(2) Upon completion of the list of qualified candidates <u>and</u>
24	before the day of an election, a sample ballot shall be
25	published by the supervisor of elections in a newspaper of
26	general circulation in the county <u>unless the supervisor mails a</u>
27	sample ballot to each registered elector or to each household in
28	which there is a registered elector at least 7 days $_{ au}$ before the
29	day of <u>an</u> election. A supervisor may send a sample ballot to
30	each registered elector by e-mail at least 7 days before the day
31	of an election if an e-mail address has been provided and the
32	elector has opted to receive a sample ballot by electronic
33	delivery. <del>If an e-mail address has not been provided, or if the</del>
34	elector has not opted for electronic delivery, a sample ballot
35	may be mailed to each registered elector or to each household in
36	which there is a registered elector at least 7 days before an
37	election.
38	Section 11. Subsection (5) of section 101.5603, Florida
39	Statutes, is amended to read:
40	101.5603 Definitions relating to Electronic Voting Systems

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41	ActAs used in this act, the term:
42	(5) "Marking device" means any approved device for marking
43	a ballot with ink or other substance, including through a voter
44	interface device, which will enable the ballot to be tabulated
45	by means of automatic tabulating equipment.
46	Section 12. Subsection (1) of section 101.56075, Florida
47	Statutes, is amended to read:
48	101.56075 Voting methods
49	(1) Except as provided in subsection (2), all voting shall
50	be by marksense ballot <u>using</u> <del>utilizing</del> a marking device for the
51	purpose of designating ballot selections.
52	Section 13. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section
53	105.031, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
54	105.031 Qualification; filing fee; candidate's oath; items
55	required to be filed
56	(5) ITEMS REQUIRED TO BE FILED.—
57	(a) In order for a candidate for judicial office or the
58	office of school board member to be qualified, the following
59	items must be received by the filing officer by the end of the
60	qualifying period:
61	1. Except for candidates for retention to judicial office,
62	a properly executed check or certified check drawn upon the
63	candidate's campaign account in an amount not less than the fee
64	required by subsection (3) or, in lieu thereof, the copy of the
65	notice of obtaining ballot position pursuant to s. 105.035. If a
66	candidate's check is returned by the bank for any reason, the
67	filing officer shall immediately notify the candidate and the
68	candidate shall, the end of qualifying notwithstanding, have 48
69	hours from the time such notification is received, excluding

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70 Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, to pay the fee with a 71 cashier's check purchased from funds of the campaign account. 72 Failure to pay the fee as provided in this subparagraph shall 73 disqualify the candidate.

74 2. The candidate's oath required by subsection (4), which 75 must contain the name of the candidate as it is to appear on the 76 ballot; the office sought, including the district or group 77 number if applicable; and the signature of the candidate, duly 78 acknowledged.

79 3. The loyalty oath required by s. 876.05, signed by the 80 candidate and duly acknowledged.

81 4. The completed form for the appointment of campaign treasurer and designation of campaign depository, as required by 82 83 s. 106.021. In addition, each candidate for judicial office, 84 including an incumbent judge, shall file a statement with the 85 qualifying officer, within 10 days after filing the appointment 86 of campaign treasurer and designation of campaign depository, 87 stating that the candidate has read and understands the 88 requirements of the Florida Code of Judicial Conduct. Such statement shall be in substantially the following form: 89 90

91 Statement of Candidate for Judicial Office

93 I, ... (name of candidate)..., a judicial candidate, have 94 received, read, and understand the requirements of the Florida 95 Code of Judicial Conduct.

96 ... (Signature of candidate)...

...(Date)...

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99 5. The full and public disclosure of financial interests 100 required by s. 8, Art. II of the State Constitution or the 101 statement of financial interests required by s. 112.3145, 102 whichever is applicable. A public officer who has filed the full 103 and public disclosure or statement of financial interests with 104 the Commission on Ethics or the supervisor of elections prior to 105 qualifying for office may file a copy of that disclosure at the 106 time of qualifying. 107 Section 14. Subsection (2) of section 121.121, Florida 108 Statutes, is amended to read: 109 121.121 Authorized leaves of absence.-110 (2) A member who is required to resign his or her office as a subordinate officer, deputy sheriff, or police officer because 111 112 he or she is a candidate for a public office which is currently 113 held by his or her superior officer who is also a candidate for reelection to the same office, in accordance with s. 99.012(5) 114 115 99.012(4), shall, upon return to covered employment, be eligible to purchase retirement credit for the period between his or her 116 117 date of resignation and the beginning of the term of office for 118 which he or she was a candidate as a leave of absence without 119 pay, as provided in subsection (1). 120 Section 15. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017. 121 122 And the title is amended as follows: 123 Delete lines 25 - 52 124 125 and insert: 126 the polls except under certain circumstances; amending 127 s. 101.131, F.S.; prohibiting an elected official from

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128 being designated as a poll watcher; amending s. 129 101.151, F.S.; providing applicability of specified 130 ballot requirements to a voter interface device; 131 amending s. 101.20, F.S.; providing an exception to 132 the requirement that a sample ballot be published by 133 the supervisor of elections in a newspaper of general 134 circulation in the county; amending ss. 101.5603 and 135 101.56075, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 105.031, F.S.; providing an 136 137 additional means by which certain nonpartisan 138 candidates may pay their qualification fees; amending 139 s. 121.121, F.S.; revising a cross-reference to 140 conform to changes made by the act; providing an 141 effective date.

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