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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Senator Baxley moved the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 439 - 456

and insert:

(9) (a) The Department of State shall adopt rules prescribing a uniform primary and general election ballot for each certified voting system. The rules shall incorporate the requirements set forth in this section and shall prescribe additional matters and forms that include, without limitation:

1. The ballot title followed by clear and unambiguous ballot instructions and directions limited to a single location



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12 on the ballot, either:

13 a. Centered across the top of the ballot; or

14 b. In the leftmost column, with no individual races in that  
15 column unless it is the only column on the ballot;

16 2. Individual race layout; ~~and~~

17 3. Overall ballot layout; and

18 4. Oval vote targets as the only permissible type of vote  
19 target, except as provided in s. 101.56075.

20 (b) The ~~department~~ rules must ~~shall~~ graphically depict a  
21 sample uniform primary and general election ballot form for each  
22 certified voting system.

23 Section 10. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section  
24 101.657, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

25 101.657 Early voting.—

26 (1)(a) As a convenience to the voter, the supervisor of  
27 elections shall allow an elector to vote early in the main or  
28 branch office of the supervisor. The supervisor shall mark,  
29 code, indicate on, or otherwise track the voter's precinct for  
30 each early voted ballot. In order for a branch office to be used  
31 for early voting, it shall be a permanent facility of the  
32 supervisor and shall have been designated and used as such for  
33 at least 1 year prior to the election. The supervisor may also  
34 designate any city hall, permanent public library facility,  
35 fairground, civic center, courthouse, county commission  
36 building, stadium, convention center, government-owned senior  
37 center, or government-owned community center as early voting  
38 sites; however, if so designated, the sites must be  
39 geographically located so as to provide all voters in the county  
40 an equal opportunity to cast a ballot, insofar as is



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41 practicable, and must provide sufficient nonpermitted parking to  
42 accommodate the anticipated amount of voters. In addition, a  
43 supervisor may designate one early voting site per election in  
44 an area of the county that does not have any of the eligible  
45 early voting locations. Such additional early voting site must  
46 be geographically located so as to provide all voters in that  
47 area with an equal opportunity to cast a ballot, insofar as is  
48 practicable, and must provide sufficient nonpermitted parking to  
49 accommodate the anticipated amount of voters. Each county shall,  
50 at a minimum, operate the same total number of early voting  
51 sites for a general election which the county operated for the  
52 2012 general election. The results or tabulation of votes cast  
53 during early voting may not be made before the close of the  
54 polls on election day. Results shall be reported by precinct.

55 Section 11. Paragraph (c) of subsection (4) of section  
56 102.031, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (e) is  
57 added to that subsection, to read:

58 102.031 Maintenance of good order at polls; authorities;  
59 persons allowed in polling rooms and early voting areas;  
60 unlawful solicitation of voters.—

61 (4)

62 (c) Each supervisor of elections shall inform the clerk of  
63 the area within which soliciting is unlawful, based on the  
64 particular characteristics of that polling place. The supervisor  
65 or the clerk may take any reasonable action necessary to ensure  
66 order at the polling places, including, but not limited to,  
67 having disruptive and unruly persons removed by law enforcement  
68 officers from the polling room or place or from the 150-foot  
69 ~~100-foot~~ zone surrounding the polling place.



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70       (e) The owner, operator, or lessee of the property on which  
71 a polling place or an early voting site is located, or an agent  
72 or employee thereof, may not prohibit the solicitation of voters  
73 outside of the no-solicitation zone during polling hours.

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75 ===== T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T =====

76 And the title is amended as follows:

77       Between lines 32 and 33

78 insert:

79       101.657, F.S.; requiring sufficient nonpermitting  
80       parking for voters at certain early voting locations;  
81       amending s. 102.031, F.S.; conforming a provision to  
82       changes made by the act; prohibiting the owners or  
83       operators of a location on which a polling place or  
84       early voting site is located from restricting  
85       solicitation in certain areas; amending s.