

Amendment No.

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

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WITHDRAWN	_____	(Y/N)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

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: State Affairs Committee
 2 Representative Byrd offered the following:

Amendment (with directory and title amendments)

Remove line 179 and insert:

6 (6) Nothing in this section precludes a county canvassing
 7 board or local board involved in the recount from comparing a
 8 digital image of a ballot to the corresponding physical paper
 9 ballot during a manual recount.

10 Section 5. Effective upon becoming a law, subsection (2)
 11 of section 101.5612, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

12 101.5612 Testing of tabulating equipment.-

13 (2) On any day not more than 25 ~~10~~ days before ~~prior to~~
 14 the commencement of early voting as provided in s. 101.657, the
 15 supervisor of elections shall have the automatic tabulating
 16 equipment publicly tested to ascertain that the equipment will

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17 | correctly count the votes cast for all offices and on all
18 | measures. If the ballots to be used at the polling place on
19 | election day are not available at the time of the testing, the
20 | supervisor may conduct an additional test not more than 10 days
21 | before election day. Public notice of the time and place of the
22 | test shall be given at least 48 hours prior thereto by
23 | publication on the supervisor of elections' website and once in
24 | one or more newspapers of general circulation in the county or,
25 | if there is no newspaper of general circulation in the county,
26 | by posting the notice in at least four conspicuous places in the
27 | county. The supervisor or the municipal elections official may,
28 | at the time of qualifying, give written notice of the time and
29 | location of the public preelection test to each candidate
30 | qualifying with that office and obtain a signed receipt that the
31 | notice has been given. The Department of State shall give
32 | written notice to each statewide candidate at the time of
33 | qualifying, or immediately at the end of qualifying, that the
34 | voting equipment will be tested and advise each candidate to
35 | contact the county supervisor of elections as to the time and
36 | location of the public preelection test. The supervisor or the
37 | municipal elections official shall, at least 30 ~~45~~ days before
38 | ~~prior to~~ the commencement of early voting as provided in s.
39 | 101.657, send written notice by certified mail to the county
40 | party chair of each political party and to all candidates for
41 | other than statewide office whose names appear on the ballot in

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42 the county and who did not receive written notification from the
43 supervisor or municipal elections official at the time of
44 qualifying, stating the time and location of the public
45 preelection test of the automatic tabulating equipment. The
46 canvassing board shall convene, and each member of the
47 canvassing board shall certify to the accuracy of the test. For
48 the test, the canvassing board may designate one member to
49 represent it. The test shall be open to representatives of the
50 political parties, the press, and the public. Each political
51 party may designate one person with expertise in the computer
52 field who shall be allowed in the central counting room when all
53 tests are being conducted and when the official votes are being
54 counted. The designee shall not interfere with the normal
55 operation of the canvassing board.

56 Section 6. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
57 act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon
58 becoming a law, this act shall take effect January 1, 2021.

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61 **D I R E C T O R Y A M E N D M E N T**

62 Remove line 115 and insert:
63 102.166, Florida Statutes, are amended, and subsection (6) is
64 added to that section to read:

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

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Remove lines 19-20 and insert:
tabulating equipment for manual recounts; providing
construction; amending s. 101.5612, F.S.; revising the
timeframes for conducting public preelection testing of
automatic tabulating equipment; providing effective dates.