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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Government Operations  
2 Subcommittee

3 Representative Persons-Mulicka offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

7 **Section 1. Subsections (6), (43), (44), and (47) of**  
8 **section 97.021, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

9 97.021 Definitions.—For the purposes of this code, except  
10 where the context clearly indicates otherwise, the term:

11 (6) "Ballot" or "official ballot" means a printed sheet of  
12 paper containing contests including offices and candidates,  
13 constitutional amendments, and other public measures upon which  
14 a voter's selections will be marked by using the pen or marker  
15 recommended by the voting system vendor. A ballot includes a  
16 voter-verifiable paper output upon which a voter's selections

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17 are marked by a voter interface device that meets voter  
18 accessibility requirements for individuals with disabilities  
19 under s. 301 of the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 and s.  
20 101.56062 when used in reference to:

21 ~~(a) "Electronic or electromechanical devices" means a~~  
22 ~~ballot that is voted by the process of electronically~~  
23 ~~designating, including by touchscreen, or marking with a marking~~  
24 ~~device for tabulation by automatic tabulating equipment or data~~  
25 ~~processing equipment.~~

26 ~~(b) "Marksense ballots" means that printed sheet of paper,~~  
27 ~~used in conjunction with an electronic or electromechanical vote~~  
28 ~~tabulation voting system, containing the names of candidates, or~~  
29 ~~a statement of proposed constitutional amendments or other~~  
30 ~~questions or propositions submitted to the electorate at any~~  
31 ~~election, on which sheet of paper an elector casts his or her~~  
32 ~~vote.~~

33 (43) "Voter interface device" means any device that  
34 communicates voting instructions and ballot information to a  
35 voter and allows the voter to select and vote for candidates and  
36 issues. A voter interface device may not be used to tabulate  
37 votes. Any vote tabulation must be based upon a subsequent scan  
38 of the marked ~~marksense~~ ballot or the voter-verifiable paper  
39 output after the voter interface device process has been  
40 completed.

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41 (44) "Voter registration agency" means any office that  
42 provides public assistance, any office that serves persons with  
43 disabilities, any center for independent living, or any public  
44 library. The term also includes any other federal or state  
45 office that is first designated by the Secretary of State to  
46 become a voter registration agency and for which such office  
47 accepts such designation.

48 (47) "Voting system" means a method of casting and  
49 processing votes that ~~functions wholly or partly by use of~~  
50 ~~electromechanical or electronic apparatus or by use of marksense~~  
51 ~~ballots and includes, but is not limited to, the equipment,~~  
52 including hardware, firmware, and software; the ballots; the  
53 procedures for casting and processing votes; and the programs,  
54 the operating manuals, the supplies; and the reports, printouts,  
55 and other documentation ~~software~~ necessary for the system's  
56 operation.

57 **Section 2. Present subsections (5) through (8) of section**  
58 **97.0525, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (6)**  
59 **through (9), respectively, and a new subsection (5) is added to**  
60 **that section, to read:**

61 97.0525 Online voter registration.—

62 (5) The online voter registration system shall generate a  
63 notice to the applicant if the applicant's legal status as  
64 United States citizen cannot be verified by the records of the  
65 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. Additionally,

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66 the notice must provide the applicant with contact information  
67 for the applicant's supervisor of elections to ensure he or she  
68 is able to access information.

69 **Section 3. Subsections (2) and (6) of section 97.053,**  
70 **Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

71 97.053 Acceptance of voter registration applications.—

72 (2)(a) A voter registration application is complete and  
73 becomes the official voter registration record of that applicant  
74 when all information necessary to establish the applicant's  
75 eligibility pursuant to s. 97.041 is received by a voter  
76 registration official and verified pursuant to subsection (6). A  
77 voter registration applicant may provide a copy of any one of  
78 the following documents with his or her application as proof of  
79 United States citizenship:

80 1. A United States passport.

81 2. A United States birth certificate.

82 3. A Consular Report of Birth Abroad provided by the  
83 United States Department of State.

84 4. A Florida driver license or Florida identification  
85 card issued by the Florida Department of Highway Safety and  
86 Motor Vehicles if such license or identification card indicates  
87 United States citizenship

88 5. A naturalization certificate or certificate of  
89 citizenship issued by the United States Department of Homeland  
90 Security. Alternatively, a certificate number or alien

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91 registration number may be provided to allow a state or local  
92 election official to verify United States citizenship.

93 6. A valid photo identification issued by the Federal  
94 Government or the government of this state that indicates United  
95 States citizenship.

96 7. An order from a federal court granting United States  
97 citizenship.

98  
99 Any person who is registered to vote on or before June 30, 2025,  
100 does not need to provide proof of United States citizenship  
101 until his or her supervisor of elections makes a request to  
102 verify citizenship under paragraph (6)(b) or s. 98.075.

103 (b) If the applicant fails to complete his or her voter  
104 registration application on or before ~~prior to~~ the date of book  
105 closing for an election, ~~then~~ such applicant is ~~shall~~ not ~~be~~  
106 eligible to vote in that election.

107 (6)(a) A voter registration application, including an  
108 application with a change in name, address, or party  
109 affiliation, may be accepted as valid only after the department  
110 has verified the authenticity or nonexistence of the driver  
111 license number, the Florida identification card number, or the  
112 last four digits of the social security number provided by the  
113 applicant. If a completed voter registration application has  
114 been received by the book-closing deadline but the driver  
115 license number, the Florida identification card number, or the

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116 last four digits of the social security number provided by the  
117 applicant cannot be verified, the applicant must ~~shall~~ be  
118 notified that the number cannot be verified and that the  
119 applicant must provide evidence to the supervisor sufficient to  
120 verify the authenticity of the applicant's driver license  
121 number, Florida identification card number, or last four digits  
122 of the social security number. If the applicant provides the  
123 necessary evidence, the supervisor must ~~shall~~ place the  
124 applicant's name on the registration rolls as an active voter or  
125 update the voter's record with the change in address, name, or  
126 party affiliation, as applicable. The change in address, name,  
127 or party affiliation is retroactive to the date the application  
128 was initially received. If the applicant has not provided the  
129 necessary evidence or the number has not otherwise been verified  
130 before ~~prior to~~ the applicant presenting himself or herself to  
131 vote, the applicant must ~~shall~~ be provided a provisional ballot.  
132 The provisional ballot must ~~shall~~ be counted pursuant to the  
133 provisions of s. 101.048 only if the number is verified by the  
134 end of the canvassing period or if the applicant presents  
135 evidence to the supervisor of elections sufficient to verify the  
136 authenticity of the applicant's driver license number, Florida  
137 identification card number, or last four digits of the social  
138 security number no later than 5 p.m. of the second day following  
139 the election.

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140 (b) A voter registration application, including an  
141 application with a change in name, address, or party  
142 affiliation, may only be accepted as valid after the department  
143 has verified that the applicant is a United States citizen in  
144 one of the following ways:

145 1. The applicant's voter record indicates that his or her  
146 legal status as a United States citizen has been verified.

147 2. The applicant provided documentary proof of United  
148 States citizenship with the application.

149 3. The applicant's legal status as a United States citizen  
150 is verified against the records of the Florida Department of  
151 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles or the United States  
152 Department of Homeland Security.

153  
154 The type of documentary proof of United States citizenship used  
155 for verification under subparagraph 2. shall be recorded in the  
156 voter's record. If a completed voter registration application  
157 has been received by the book-closing deadline but the  
158 applicant's legal status as a United States citizen cannot be  
159 verified, the supervisor shall notify the applicant. The  
160 applicant must provide evidence to the supervisor sufficient to  
161 verify the applicant's legal status as a United States citizen  
162 before voting. If the applicant provides the necessary evidence  
163 before the applicant requests a vote-by-mail ballot or presents  
164 to vote in person, the supervisor shall place the applicant's

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165 name on the registration rolls as an active voter. If the  
166 applicant has not provided the necessary evidence or the legal  
167 status is not verified before the applicant requests a vote-by-  
168 mail ballot or presents to vote, the applicant must be provided  
169 a provisional ballot. The provisional ballot must only be  
170 counted if the applicant's legal status as a United States  
171 citizen is verified by the end of the canvassing period or if  
172 the applicant presents evidence to the supervisor of elections  
173 sufficient to verify the applicant's legal status as a United  
174 States citizen no later than 5 p.m. of the second day following  
175 the election.

176 **Section 4. Subsections (11) and (13) of section 97.057,**  
177 **Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

178 97.057 Voter registration by the Department of Highway  
179 Safety and Motor Vehicles.—

180 (11) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles  
181 shall enter into an agreement with the department to match  
182 information in the statewide voter registration system with  
183 information in the database of the Department of Highway Safety  
184 and Motor Vehicles to the extent required to verify the accuracy  
185 of the driver license number, Florida identification number, or  
186 last four digits of the social security number provided on  
187 applications for voter registration as required in s. 97.053.  
188 The department shall also include the type of documentary proof



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189 that the driver licensee or state identification cardholder  
190 provided in support of United States citizenship.

191 (13) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles  
192 shall ~~must~~ assist the Department of State in ~~regularly~~  
193 identifying changes in residence address on the driver license  
194 or identification card of a voter in accordance with this  
195 section. The Department of State must report each such change to  
196 the appropriate supervisor of elections who must change the  
197 voter's registration records in accordance with s. 98.065(4).

198 **Section 5. Subsection (1) of section 98.045, Florida**  
199 **Statutes, are amended to read:**

200 98.045 Administration of voter registration.—

201 (1) ELIGIBILITY OF APPLICANT.—

202 (a) The supervisor shall ~~must~~ ensure that any eligible  
203 applicant for voter registration is registered to vote and that  
204 each application for voter registration is processed in  
205 accordance with law. The supervisor shall determine whether a  
206 voter registration applicant is ineligible based on any of the  
207 following:

208 1.(a) The failure to complete a voter registration  
209 application as specified in s. 97.053.

210 2.(b) The applicant is deceased.

211 3.(e) The applicant has been convicted of a felony for  
212 which his or her voting rights have not been restored.

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213 ~~4.(d)~~ The applicant has been adjudicated mentally  
214 incapacitated with respect to the right to vote and such right  
215 has not been restored.

216 ~~5.(e)~~ The applicant does not meet the age requirement  
217 pursuant to s. 97.041.

218 ~~6.(f)~~ The applicant is not a United States citizen.

219 ~~7.(g)~~ The applicant is a fictitious person.

220 ~~8.(h)~~ The applicant has provided an address of legal  
221 residence that is not his or her legal residence.

222 ~~9.(i)~~ The applicant has provided a driver license number,  
223 Florida identification card number, or the last four digits of a  
224 social security number that is not verifiable by the department.

225 (b)1. If the latest voter registration records show that a  
226 new applicant was previously registered but subsequently removed  
227 for ineligibility pursuant to s. 98.075(7), by reason of a  
228 felony conviction without voting rights restored, adjudication  
229 as mentally incapacitated with respect to voting without voting  
230 rights restored, death, or for non-United States citizenship,  
231 the supervisor must verify the current eligibility of the  
232 applicant to register within 10 days by reviewing any government  
233 entity document or source to determine whether the applicant  
234 remains ineligible. If the supervisor determines that the  
235 applicant is ineligible, the supervisor shall deny the  
236 application and notify the applicant pursuant to s. 97.073.

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237           **Section 6. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 98.075,**  
238 **Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

239           98.075 Registration records maintenance activities;  
240 ineligibility determinations.—

241           (2) DUPLICATE REGISTRATION.—

242           (a) The department shall identify those voters who are  
243 registered more than once or those applicants whose registration  
244 applications within this ~~the~~ state would result in duplicate  
245 registrations. The most recent application must ~~shall~~ be deemed  
246 an update to the voter registration record.

247           (b)1. The department may become a member of a  
248 nongovernmental entity whose sole purpose is to share and  
249 exchange information in order to verify voter registration  
250 information. The membership of the nongovernmental entity must  
251 be composed solely of election officials of state governments,  
252 except that such membership may also include election officials  
253 of the District of Columbia. If the department intends to become  
254 a member of such a nongovernmental entity, the agreement to join  
255 the entity must require that the Secretary of State, or his or  
256 her designee, serve as a full member with voting rights on the  
257 nongovernmental entity's board of directors within 12 months  
258 after joining the entity. The department may enter into  
259 memorandums of understanding with Federal agencies or other  
260 state governments.

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261           2. The department may share confidential and exempt  
262 information with a Federal agency or another state government  
263 after agreeing to a memorandum of understanding or after  
264 becoming a member of a nongovernmental entity as provided in  
265 subparagraph 1. if:

266           a. Each Federal agency, each state government, or each  
267 member of the nongovernmental entity agrees to maintain the  
268 confidentiality of such information as required by the laws of  
269 the jurisdiction providing the information; or

270           b. The bylaws of the nongovernmental entity require member  
271 jurisdictions and the entity to maintain the confidentiality of  
272 information as required by the laws of the jurisdiction  
273 providing the information.

274           3. The department may only become a member of a  
275 nongovernmental entity as provided in subparagraph 1. if the  
276 entity is controlled and operated by the participating  
277 jurisdictions. The entity may not be operated or controlled by  
278 the Federal Government or any other entity acting on behalf of  
279 the Federal Government. The department must be able to withdraw  
280 at any time from any such membership entered into.

281           4. If the department enters into a memorandum of  
282 understanding with a Federal agency or another state government  
283 or becomes a member of a nongovernmental entity as provided in  
284 subparagraph 1., the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
285 Vehicles must, pursuant to a written agreement with the

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286 department, provide driver license or identification card  
287 information to the department for the purpose of sharing and  
288 exchanging voter registration information with the Federal  
289 agency, other state government, or nongovernmental entity.

290 5. If the department becomes a member of a nongovernmental  
291 entity as provided in subparagraph 1., the department must  
292 submit a report to the Governor, the President of the Senate,  
293 and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 1 of  
294 each year. The report must describe the terms of the  
295 nongovernmental entity membership and provide information on the  
296 total number of voters removed from the voter registration  
297 system as a result of the membership and the reasons for their  
298 removal.

299 (c) Information received by the department from another  
300 state or the District of Columbia upon the department becoming a  
301 member of a nongovernmental entity as provided in subparagraph  
302 (b)1., which is confidential or exempt pursuant to the laws of  
303 that state or the District of Columbia, is exempt from s.  
304 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. The  
305 department shall provide such information to the supervisors to  
306 conduct registration list maintenance activities.

307 (3) DECEASED PERSONS.—

308 (a)1. The department shall identify those registered  
309 voters who are deceased by comparing information received from:

310 a. The Department of Health as provided in s. 98.093;

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311 b. The United States Social Security Administration,  
312 including, but not limited to, any master death file or index  
313 compiled by the United States Social Security Administration; or  
314 ~~and~~

315 c. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

316 2. Within 7 days after receipt of such information through  
317 the statewide voter registration system, the supervisor shall  
318 remove the name of the registered voter.

319 (b) The supervisor shall remove the name of a deceased  
320 registered voter from the statewide voter registration system  
321 within 7 days after:

322 1. Receipt of a copy of a death certificate issued by a  
323 governmental agency authorized to issue death certificates; or

324 2. A published obituary or notice of death, a letter of  
325 probate or estate administration, or personal knowledge that is  
326 verified pursuant to s. 92.525, of a registered voter's death.

327 **Section 7. Paragraph (c) of subsection (8) of section**  
328 **98.093, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (d), and**  
329 **paragraph (c) is added to that subsection, to read:**

330 98.093 Duty of officials to furnish information relating  
331 to deceased persons, persons adjudicated mentally incapacitated,  
332 persons convicted of a felony, and persons who are not United  
333 States citizens.—

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334 (8) DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES.—The  
335 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall furnish  
336 weekly to the department the following information:

337 (c) Information identifying those persons who during the  
338 preceding week presented evidence of United States citizenship  
339 upon being issued a new or renewed Florida driver license or  
340 Florida identification card. The information must contain the  
341 person's name; address; date of birth; last four digits of the  
342 social security number, if applicable; Florida driver license  
343 number or Florida identification card number, as available; the  
344 type of documentary proof provided in support of citizenship,  
345 and if applicable, the alien registration number or other legal  
346 status identifier.

347 **Section 8. Section 98.094, Florida Statutes, is created to**  
348 **read:**

349 98.094 Federal jury notice.—

350 (1) Lists of registered voters must be provided to federal  
351 courts for purposes of selecting jurors on the condition that  
352 the jury coordinator provides notice pursuant to subsection (2)  
353 regarding ineligible or potentially ineligible voters.

354 (2) The jury coordinator shall prepare or cause to be  
355 prepared a list of each person disqualified or potentially  
356 disqualified as a prospective juror from jury service due to  
357 being a non-United States citizen, being convicted of a felony,  
358 being deceased, not being a resident of this state, or not being

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359 a resident of the county. The list must be prepared and sent to  
360 the division according to the jury summons cycle used by the  
361 court clerk. This section does not prevent the list from being  
362 sent more frequently. The list may be provided by mail, e-mail,  
363 or other electronic means.

364 (3) The jury coordinator shall provide the division with  
365 all of the following information about each disqualified juror:

366 (a) The full name of the disqualified juror.

367 (b) Current and prior addresses, if any.

368 (c) Telephone number, if available.

369 (d) Date of birth.

370 (e) The reason the prospective juror was disqualified.

371 (4) The division shall provide the information to the  
372 respective supervisor in the county of residence for the  
373 disqualified juror for the supervisor to initiate, as may be  
374 applicable, address list maintenance pursuant to s. 98.065, or  
375 eligibility maintenance pursuant to s. 98.075(7).

376 **Section 9. Present paragraph (e) of subsection (1) of**  
377 **section 99.021, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph**  
378 **(f), paragraphs (b) and (c) of that subsection are amended, and**  
379 **a new paragraph (e) is added to that subsection, to read:**

380 99.021 Form of candidate oath.—

381 (1)

382 (b) In addition, any person seeking to qualify for  
383 nomination as a candidate of any political party shall, at the



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384 time of subscribing to the oath or affirmation, state in  
385 writing:

386 1. The party of which the person is a member.

387 2. That the person has been a registered member of the  
388 political party for which he or she is seeking nomination as a  
389 candidate for at least 365 consecutive days preceding ~~before~~ the  
390 beginning of the qualifying period before ~~preceding~~ the general  
391 election for which the person seeks to qualify.

392 3. That the person has paid the assessment levied against  
393 him or her, if any, as a candidate for said office by the  
394 executive committee of the party of which he or she is a member.

395 (c) In addition, any person seeking to qualify for office  
396 as a candidate with no party affiliation shall, at the time of  
397 subscribing to the oath or affirmation, state in writing that he  
398 or she has been ~~is~~ registered without any party affiliation and  
399 that he or she has not been a registered member of any political  
400 party for at least 365 consecutive days preceding ~~before~~ the  
401 beginning of the qualifying period before ~~preceding~~ the general  
402 election for which the person seeks to qualify.

403 (e) The statements in subparagraph (b)2. and paragraph (c)  
404 constitute substantive requirements on the person completing the  
405 statement and compliance with those requirements is mandatory.  
406 The sole method to enforce compliance with such requirements is  
407 contained within this paragraph. Compliance with subparagraph  
408 (b)2. and paragraph (c) may be challenged by a qualified

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409 candidate or political party with qualified candidates in the  
410 same race by filing an action in the circuit court for the  
411 county in which the qualifying officer is headquartered. A  
412 person may not be qualified as a candidate for nomination or  
413 election and his or her name may not appear on the ballot if an  
414 order of a court that has become final determines that:

415 1. The person seeking to qualify for nomination as a  
416 candidate of any political party has not been registered member  
417 of that party for the 365-day period preceding the beginning of  
418 qualifying; or

419 2. The person seeking to qualify for office as a candidate  
420 with no party affiliation has not been registered without party  
421 affiliation for, or has been a registered member of any  
422 political party during, the 365-day period preceding the  
423 beginning of qualifying.

424 **Section 10. Subsection (1) of section 101.043, Florida**  
425 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

426 101.043 Identification required at polls.-

427 (1) (a) The precinct register, as prescribed in s. 98.461,  
428 must ~~shall~~ be used at the polls for the purpose of identifying  
429 the elector at the polls before allowing him or her to vote. The  
430 clerk or inspector shall require each elector, upon entering the  
431 polling place, to present one of the following current and valid  
432 picture identifications:

433 1. Florida driver license.

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434 2. Florida identification card issued by the Department of  
435 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

436 3. United States passport or passport card.

437 4. ~~Debit or credit card.~~

438 5. United States uniformed services or Merchant Marine  
439 ~~Military~~ identification.

440 6. ~~Student identification.~~

441 7. ~~Retirement center identification.~~

442 8. ~~Neighborhood association identification.~~

443 9. ~~Public assistance identification.~~

444 5.10. Veteran health identification card issued by the  
445 United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

446 6.11. A license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm  
447 issued pursuant to s. 790.06.

448 7.12. Any other ~~Employee~~ identification card issued by any  
449 branch, department, agency, or entity of the Federal Government,  
450 the state, a county, or a municipality.

451 (b) If the picture identification does not contain the  
452 signature of the elector, an additional identification that  
453 provides the elector's signature is ~~shall be~~ required. The  
454 address appearing on the identification presented by the elector  
455 may not be used as the basis to challenge an elector's legal  
456 residence. The elector must ~~shall~~ sign his or her name in the  
457 space provided on the precinct register or on an electronic  
458 device provided for recording the elector's signature. The clerk

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459 or inspector shall compare the signature with that on the  
460 identification provided by the elector and enter his or her  
461 initials in the space provided on the precinct register or on an  
462 electronic device provided for that purpose and allow the  
463 elector to vote if the clerk or inspector is satisfied as to the  
464 identity of the elector.

465 **Section 11. Paragraph (d) of subsection (6) of section**  
466 **101.048, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:**

467 101.048 Provisional ballots.—

468 (6)

469 (d) Instructions must accompany the cure affidavit in  
470 substantially the following form:

471  
472 READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE  
473 AFFIDAVIT. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS MAY CAUSE YOUR  
474 BALLOT NOT TO COUNT.

475  
476 1. In order to cure the missing signature or the signature  
477 discrepancy on your Provisional Ballot Voter's Certificate and  
478 Affirmation, your affidavit should be completed and returned as  
479 soon as possible so that it can reach the supervisor of  
480 elections of the county in which your precinct is located no  
481 later than 5 p.m. on the 2nd day after the election.

482 2. You must sign your name on the line above (Voter's  
483 Signature).

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484 3. You must make a copy of one of the following forms of  
485 identification:

486 a. Tier 1 identification.—Current and valid identification  
487 that includes your name and photograph: Florida driver license;  
488 Florida identification card issued by the Department of Highway  
489 Safety and Motor Vehicles; United States passport or passport  
490 card; ~~debit or credit card; United States Uniformed Services or~~  
491 Merchant Marine military identification; ~~student identification;~~  
492 ~~retirement center identification; neighborhood association~~  
493 ~~identification; public assistance identification;~~ veteran health  
494 identification card issued by the United States Department of  
495 Veterans Affairs; Florida license to carry a concealed weapon or  
496 firearm; or any other ~~employee~~ identification card issued by any  
497 branch, department, agency, or entity of the Federal Government,  
498 the state, a county, or a municipality; or

499 b. Tier 2 identification.—ONLY IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A TIER 1  
500 FORM OF IDENTIFICATION, identification that shows your name and  
501 current residence address: current utility bill; bank statement;  
502 government check; paycheck; or government document (excluding  
503 voter information card).

504 4. If your status as a United States citizen has not been  
505 verified you must complete the affidavit and submit a copy of  
506 one of the following documents:

507 a. A United States passport

508 b. A United States birth certificate.

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509 c. A Consular Report of Birth Abroad provided by the  
510 United States Department of State

511 d. A Florida driver's license or Florida identification  
512 card issued by the Florida Department of Highway Safety and  
513 Motor Vehicles if such license or identification card indicates  
514 United States citizenship

515 e. A naturalization certificate or certificate of  
516 citizenship issued by the United States Department of Homeland  
517 Security. Alternatively, a certificate number or alien  
518 registration number may be provided to allow a state or local  
519 election official to verify United States citizenship.

520 f. A valid photo identification issued by the Federal  
521 Government or the government of this state that indicates United  
522 States citizenship.

523 g. An order from a federal court granting United States  
524 citizenship.

525  
526 Your affidavit should be completed and returned as soon as  
527 possible so that it can reach the supervisor of elections of the  
528 county in which your precinct is located no later than 5 p.m. on  
529 the 2nd day after the election. You must sign your name here  
530 (Voter's Signature).

531 ~~5.4.~~ Place the envelope bearing the affidavit into a  
532 mailing envelope addressed to the supervisor. Insert a copy of  
533 your identification in the mailing envelope. Mail (if time

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534 permits), deliver, or have delivered the completed affidavit  
535 along with the copy of your identification to your county  
536 supervisor of elections. Be sure there is sufficient postage if  
537 mailed and that the supervisor's address is correct. Remember,  
538 your information MUST reach your county supervisor of elections  
539 no later than 5 p.m. on the 2nd day following the election or  
540 your ballot will not count.

541 ~~6.5.~~ Alternatively, you may fax or e-mail your completed  
542 affidavit and a copy of your identification to the supervisor of  
543 elections. If e-mailing, please provide these documents as  
544 attachments.

545 ~~7.6.~~ Submitting a provisional ballot affidavit does not  
546 establish your eligibility to vote in this election or guarantee  
547 that your ballot will be counted. The county canvassing board  
548 determines your eligibility to vote through information provided  
549 on the Provisional Ballot Voter's Certificate and Affirmation,  
550 written evidence provided by you, including information in your  
551 cure affidavit along with any supporting identification, and any  
552 other evidence presented by the supervisor of elections or a  
553 challenger. You may still be required to present additional  
554 written evidence to support your eligibility to vote.

555 **Section 12. Subsection (1) of section 101.151, Florida**  
556 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

557 101.151 Specifications for ballots.-

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558 (1) (a) ~~Marksense~~ Ballots must ~~shall~~ be printed on paper of  
559 such thickness that the printing cannot be distinguished from  
560 the back and must ~~shall~~ meet the specifications of the voting  
561 system that will be used to tabulate the ballots.

562 (b) Polling places and early voting sites may employ a  
563 ballot-on-demand production system to print individual ~~marksense~~  
564 ballots, including provisional ballots, for eligible electors.  
565 Ballot-on-demand technology may be used to produce ~~marksense~~  
566 vote-by-mail, early voting, and election-day ballots.

567 **Section 13. Subsection (4) of section 101.5606, Florida**  
568 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

569 101.5606 Requirements for approval of systems.—No  
570 electronic or electromechanical voting system shall be approved  
571 by the Department of State unless it is so constructed that:

572 (4) ~~For systems using marksense ballots,~~ It accepts a  
573 rejected ballot pursuant to subsection (3) if a voter chooses to  
574 cast the ballot, but records no vote for any office that has  
575 been overvoted or undervoted.

576 **Section 14. Section 101.56075, Florida Statutes, is**  
577 **amended to read:**

578 101.56075 Voting methods.—For the purpose of designating  
579 ballot selections, all voting must be by official ~~marksense~~  
580 ballot, using a pen or marker recommended by the voting system  
581 vendor. marking device or Persons with disabilities may vote  
582 using a voter interface device that produces a voter-verifiable

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583 paper output and meets the voter accessibility requirements for  
584 individuals with disabilities under s. 301 of the federal Help  
585 America Vote Act of 2002 and s. 101.56062.

586 **Section 15. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 101.5608,**  
587 **Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

588 101.5608 Voting at the polls ~~by electronic or~~  
589 ~~electromechanical method~~; procedures.—

590 (2) ~~When an electronic or electromechanical voting system~~  
591 ~~utilizes a ballot card or marksense ballot,~~ The following  
592 procedures must ~~shall~~ be followed to vote:

593 (a) After receiving a ballot from an inspector, the voter  
594 ~~elector~~ shall, without leaving the polling place, retire to a  
595 booth or compartment and mark the ballot. After marking his or  
596 her ballot, the voter must ~~elector shall~~ place the ballot in a  
597 secrecy envelope so that the ballot will be deposited in the  
598 tabulator without exposing the voter's choices.

599 (b) Any voter who spoils his or her ballot or makes an  
600 error may return the ballot to the election official and secure  
601 another ballot, except that in no case shall a voter be  
602 furnished more than three ballots. If the vote tabulation device  
603 has rejected a ballot, the ballot must ~~shall~~ be considered  
604 spoiled and a new ballot must ~~shall~~ be provided to the voter  
605 unless the voter chooses to cast the rejected ballot. The  
606 election official, without examining the original ballot, shall  
607 state the possible reasons for the rejection and shall provide

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608 instruction to the voter pursuant to s. 101.5611. A spoiled  
609 ballot must ~~shall~~ be preserved, without examination, in an  
610 envelope provided for that purpose. ~~The stub shall be removed~~  
611 ~~from the ballot and placed in an envelope.~~

612 (c) The supervisor of elections shall prepare for each  
613 polling place at least one ballot box to contain the ballots of  
614 a particular precinct, and each ballot box must ~~shall~~ be plainly  
615 marked with the name of the precinct for which it is intended.

616 (3) The Department of State shall promulgate rules  
617 regarding voting procedures to be used ~~when an electronic or~~  
618 ~~electromechanical voting system is of a type which does not~~  
619 ~~utilize a ballot card or marksense ballot.~~

620 **Section 16. Subsection (5) of section 101.5612, Florida**  
621 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

622 101.5612 Testing of tabulating equipment.—

623 (5) Any tests involving ~~marksense~~ ballots pursuant to this  
624 section shall employ test ballots created by the supervisor of  
625 elections using actual ballots that have been printed for the  
626 election. If ballot-on-demand ballots will be used in the  
627 election, the supervisor shall also create test ballots using  
628 the ballot-on-demand technology that will be used to produce  
629 ballots in the election, using the same paper stock as will be  
630 used for ballots in the election.

631 **Section 17. Section 101.591, Florida Statutes, is amended**  
632 **to read:**

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633 101.591 Voting system automated independent vote  
634 validation process; system approval; procedures ~~audit.~~—

635 (1) Before ~~Immediately following~~ the certification of each  
636 election, the county canvassing board or the local board  
637 responsible for certifying the election shall conduct ~~a manual~~  
638 ~~audit or~~ an automated, independent vote validation ~~audit~~ of the  
639 voting systems used in all ~~randomly selected~~ precincts.

640 (2)(a) ~~A manual audit shall consist of a public manual~~  
641 ~~tally of the votes cast in one randomly selected race that~~  
642 ~~appears on the ballot. The tally sheet shall include election-~~  
643 ~~day, vote-by-mail, early voting, provisional, and overseas~~  
644 ~~ballots, in at least 1 percent but no more than 2 percent of the~~  
645 ~~precincts chosen at random by the county canvassing board or the~~  
646 ~~local board responsible for certifying the election. If 1~~  
647 ~~percent of the precincts is less than one entire precinct, the~~  
648 ~~audit shall be conducted using at least one precinct chosen at~~  
649 ~~random by the county canvassing board or the local board~~  
650 ~~responsible for certifying the election. Such precincts shall be~~  
651 ~~selected at a publicly noticed canvassing board meeting.~~

652 (b) An automated independent vote validation process ~~must~~  
653 ~~audit shall~~ consist of an a public automated verification of the  
654 tally of the votes cast across every race that appears on the  
655 ballot. The tally sheet must ~~shall~~ include all valid election  
656 day, vote-by-mail, early voting, provisional, and overseas  
657 ballots received by the start of the vote validation process in

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658 ~~all at least 20 percent of the precincts chosen at random by the~~  
659 ~~county canvassing board or the local board responsible for~~  
660 ~~certifying the election. Such precincts shall be selected at a~~  
661 ~~publicly noticed canvassing board meeting.~~

662 (c) The division shall adopt rules for approval of an  
663 automated independent audit system which provide that the  
664 system, at a minimum, must be:

665 1. Completely independent of the primary voting system.

666 2. Fast enough to produce final vote validation audit  
667 results within the timeframe prescribed in subsection (4).

668 3. Capable of demonstrating that the ballots of record  
669 have been accurately adjudicated by the automated independent  
670 vote validation audit system in agreement with the vote  
671 tabulation system and is capable of allowing the canvassing  
672 board to manually adjudicate ballots of record. A canvassing  
673 board is not precluded from reviewing a digital image of a  
674 ballot corresponding to a physical paper ballot in conducting  
675 its review.

676 (3) The canvassing board shall publish notice on the  
677 county website as provided in s. 50.0311, on the supervisor of  
678 election's website, or once in one or more newspapers of general  
679 circulation in the county ~~post a notice~~ of the automated  
680 independent vote validation process audit, including the date,  
681 time, and place, ~~in four conspicuous places in the county and on~~

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682 ~~the home page of the county supervisor of elections website.~~  
683 Such process shall be open to the public.

684 (4) The automated independent vote validation process  
685 ~~audit~~ must be completed and the results made public before the  
686 certification of the election by each county canvassing board  
687 and in accordance with s. 102.141 no later than 11:59 p.m. on  
688 ~~the 7th day following certification of the election by the~~  
689 ~~county canvassing board or the local board responsible for~~  
690 ~~certifying the election.~~

691 (5) By December 15 of each general election year, the  
692 county canvassing board or the board responsible for certifying  
693 the election shall provide a report with the results of the  
694 automated independent vote validation ~~audit~~ to the Department of  
695 State in a standard format as prescribed by the department. Each  
696 county's ~~The~~ report must be consolidated into one report and  
697 included with the overvote and undervote report required under  
698 s. 101.595(1). The report must, at a minimum, contain all of  
699 ~~shall contain, but is not limited to,~~ the following items:

700 (a) The overall agreement ~~accuracy~~ of automated  
701 independent vote validation ~~audit~~.

702 (b) A description of any problems or differences  
703 ~~discrepancies~~ encountered.

704 (c) The likely cause of such problems or differences  
705 ~~discrepancies~~.

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706 (d) Recommended corrective action with respect to avoiding  
707 or mitigating such circumstances in future elections.

708 (6) The department shall consolidate the county automated  
709 independent vote validation results and include the results as  
710 part of a post general election report required under ss.  
711 101.595 and 102.143 to the Governor, the President of the  
712 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by  
713 February 15 of each year following a general election ~~If a~~  
714 ~~manual recount is undertaken pursuant to s. 102.166, the~~  
715 ~~canvassing board is not required to perform the audit provided~~  
716 ~~for in this section.~~

717 **Section 18. Section 101.5911, Florida Statutes, is amended**  
718 **to read:**

719 101.5911 Rulemaking authority for automated independent  
720 vote validation voting system approval; audit procedures.-  
721 ~~Effective upon this act becoming a law, The department of State~~  
722 shall also adopt rules to implement the provisions of s.  
723 101.591, ~~as amended by s. 8, chapter 2007-30, Laws of Florida,~~  
724 which provide for the testing and approval of an automated  
725 independent vote validation system, and prescribe detailed  
726 automated independent vote validation audit procedures for each  
727 voting system, which shall be uniform to the extent practicable,  
728 along with the standard form for automated independent vote  
729 validation system audit reports.

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730           **Section 19. Section 101.595, Florida Statutes, is amended**  
731 **to read:**

732           101.595 Analysis of overvotes and undervotes ~~and reports~~  
733 ~~of voting problems.-~~

734           (1) (a) No later than December 15 of each general election  
735 year, the supervisor of elections in each county shall report to  
736 the Department of State the total number of overvotes and  
737 undervotes in the "President and Vice President" or "Governor  
738 and Lieutenant Governor" race that appears first on the ballot  
739 or, if neither appears, the first race appearing on the ballot  
740 pursuant to s. 101.151(2), along with the likely reasons for  
741 such overvotes and undervotes and other information as may be  
742 useful in evaluating the performance of the voting system and  
743 identifying problems with ballot design and instructions which  
744 may have contributed to voter confusion. ~~This report must be~~  
745 ~~consolidated into one report with the audit report required~~  
746 ~~under s. 101.591(5).~~

747           (b)-(2) The Department of State, upon receipt of such  
748 information, shall prepare a public report on the performance of  
749 each type of voting system. The report must contain, but is not  
750 limited to, the following information:

751           1.-(a) An identification of problems with the ballot design  
752 or instructions which may have contributed to voter confusion;

753           2.-(b) An identification of voting system design problems;  
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755        3.(e) Recommendations for correcting any problems  
756 identified.

757        (2)(3) The Department of State shall submit the overvote  
758 and undervote analysis required in subsection (1) as part of the  
759 post-general election report required under ss. 101.591 and  
760 102.143 to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the  
761 Speaker of the House of Representatives by February 15 of each  
762 year following a general election.

763        **Section 20. Subsections (2) and (4) of section 101.68,**  
764 **Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

765        101.68 Canvassing of vote-by-mail ballot.-

766        (2) (a) The county canvassing board may begin the  
767 canvassing of vote-by-mail ballots upon the completion of the  
768 public testing of automatic tabulating equipment pursuant to s.  
769 101.5612(2), but must begin such canvassing by no later than  
770 noon on the day following the election. However, notwithstanding  
771 any such authorization to begin canvassing or otherwise  
772 processing vote-by-mail ballots early, no result may ~~shall~~ be  
773 released until after the closing of the polls in that county on  
774 election day. Any supervisor, deputy supervisor, canvassing  
775 board member, election board member, or election employee who  
776 releases the results of a canvassing or processing of vote-by-  
777 mail ballots before ~~prior to~~ the closing of the polls in that  
778 county on election day commits a felony of the third degree,  
779 punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

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780 (b) To ensure that all vote-by-mail ballots to be counted  
781 by the canvassing board are accounted for, the canvassing board  
782 shall compare the number of ballots in its possession with the  
783 number of requests for ballots received to be counted according  
784 to the supervisor's file or list.

785 (c)1. The canvassing board must, if the supervisor has not  
786 already done so, compare the signature of the elector on the  
787 voter's certificate or on the vote-by-mail ballot cure affidavit  
788 as provided in subsection (4) with the signature of the elector  
789 in the registration books or the precinct register to see that  
790 the elector is duly registered in the county and to determine  
791 the legality of that vote-by-mail ballot. A vote-by-mail ballot  
792 may only be counted if:

793 a. The signature on the voter's certificate or the cure  
794 affidavit matches the elector's signature in the registration  
795 books or precinct register; however, in the case of a cure  
796 affidavit, the supporting identification listed in subsection  
797 (4) must also confirm the identity of the elector; or

798 b. The cure affidavit contains a signature that does not  
799 match the elector's signature in the registration books or  
800 precinct register, but the elector has submitted a current and  
801 valid Tier 1 identification pursuant to subsection (4) which  
802 confirms the identity of the elector.

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804 For purposes of this subparagraph, any canvassing board finding  
805 that an elector's signatures do not match must be by majority  
806 vote and beyond a reasonable doubt.

807 2. The ballot of an elector who casts a vote-by-mail  
808 ballot shall be counted even if the elector dies on or before  
809 election day, as long as, before the death of the voter, the  
810 ballot was postmarked by the United States Postal Service, date-  
811 stamped with a verifiable tracking number by a common carrier,  
812 or already in the possession of the supervisor.

813 3. A vote-by-mail ballot is not considered illegal if the  
814 signature of the elector does not cross the seal of the mailing  
815 envelope.

816 4. If any elector or candidate present believes that a  
817 vote-by-mail ballot is illegal due to a defect apparent on the  
818 voter's certificate or the cure affidavit, he or she may, at any  
819 time before the ballot is removed from the envelope, file with  
820 the canvassing board a protest against the canvass of that  
821 ballot, specifying the precinct, the voter's certificate or the  
822 cure affidavit, and the reason he or she believes the ballot to  
823 be illegal. A protest ~~challenge~~ based upon a defect in the  
824 voter's certificate or cure affidavit may not be accepted after  
825 the ballot has been removed from the mailing envelope.

826 5. If the canvassing board determines that a ballot is  
827 illegal, a member of the board must, without opening the  
828 envelope, mark across the face of the envelope: "rejected as

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829 illegal." The cure affidavit, if applicable, the envelope, and  
830 the ballot therein shall be preserved in the manner that  
831 official ballots are preserved.

832 (d) The canvassing board shall record the ballot upon the  
833 proper record, unless the ballot has been previously recorded by  
834 the supervisor. The mailing envelopes must ~~shall~~ be opened and  
835 the secrecy envelopes must ~~shall~~ be mixed so as to make it  
836 impossible to determine which secrecy envelope came out of which  
837 signed mailing envelope; however, in any county in which an  
838 electronic or electromechanical voting system is used, the  
839 ballots may be sorted by ballot styles and the mailing envelopes  
840 may be opened and the secrecy envelopes mixed separately for  
841 each ballot style. The votes on vote-by-mail ballots must ~~shall~~  
842 be included in the total vote of the county.

843 (4) (a) As soon as practicable, the supervisor shall, on  
844 behalf of the county canvassing board, attempt to notify an  
845 elector who has returned a vote-by-mail ballot that does not  
846 include the elector's signature or contains a signature that  
847 does not match the elector's signature in the registration books  
848 or precinct register by:

849 1. Notifying the elector of the signature deficiency by e-  
850 mail and directing the elector to the cure affidavit and  
851 instructions on the supervisor's website;

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852           2. Notifying the elector of the signature deficiency by  
853 text message and directing the elector to the cure affidavit and  
854 instructions on the supervisor's website; or

855           3. Notifying the elector of the signature deficiency by  
856 telephone and directing the elector to the cure affidavit and  
857 instructions on the supervisor's website.

858  
859 In addition to the notification required under subparagraph 1.,  
860 subparagraph 2., or subparagraph 3., the supervisor must notify  
861 the elector of the signature deficiency by first-class mail and  
862 direct the elector to the cure affidavit and instructions on the  
863 supervisor's website. Beginning the day before the election, the  
864 supervisor is not required to provide notice of the signature  
865 deficiency by first-class mail, but shall continue to provide  
866 notice as required under subparagraph 1., subparagraph 2., or  
867 subparagraph 3.

868           (b) The supervisor shall allow such an elector to complete  
869 and submit an affidavit in order to cure the vote-by-mail ballot  
870 until 5 p.m. on the 2nd day after the election.

871           (c) The elector must complete a cure affidavit in  
872 substantially the following form:

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874                                   VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT CURE AFFIDAVIT  
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876 I, . . . ., am a qualified voter in this election and  
877 registered voter of . . . . County, Florida. I do solemnly swear or  
878 affirm that I requested and returned the vote-by-mail ballot and  
879 that I have not and will not vote more than one ballot in this  
880 election. I understand that if I commit or attempt any fraud in  
881 connection with voting, vote a fraudulent ballot, or vote more  
882 than once in an election, I may be convicted of a felony of the  
883 third degree and fined up to \$5,000 and imprisoned for up to 5  
884 years. I understand that my failure to sign this affidavit means  
885 that my vote-by-mail ballot will be invalidated.

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887 . . . (Voter's Signature) . . .

888 . . . (Address) . . .

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890 (d) Instructions must accompany the cure affidavit in  
891 substantially the following form:

892

893 READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE  
894 AFFIDAVIT. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS MAY CAUSE YOUR  
895 BALLOT NOT TO COUNT.

896

897 1. In order to ensure that your vote-by-mail ballot will  
898 be counted, your affidavit should be completed and returned as  
899 soon as possible so that it can reach the supervisor of

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900 elections of the county in which your precinct is located no  
901 later than 5 p.m. on the 2nd day after the election.

902 2. You must sign your name on the line above (Voter's  
903 Signature).

904 3. You must make a copy of one of the following forms of  
905 identification:

906 a. Tier 1 identification.—Current and valid identification  
907 that includes your name and photograph: Florida driver license;  
908 Florida identification card issued by the Department of Highway  
909 Safety and Motor Vehicles; United States passport or passport  
910 card; ~~debit or credit card; United States Uniformed Services or~~  
911 Merchant Marine ~~military~~ identification; ~~student identification;~~  
912 ~~retirement center identification; neighborhood association~~  
913 ~~identification; public assistance identification;~~ veteran health  
914 identification card issued by the United States Department of  
915 Veterans Affairs; a Florida license to carry a concealed weapon  
916 or firearm; or any an ~~employee~~ identification card issued by any  
917 branch, department, agency, or entity of the Federal Government,  
918 the state, a county, or a municipality; or

919 b. Tier 2 identification.—ONLY IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A TIER 1  
920 FORM OF IDENTIFICATION, identification that shows your name and  
921 current residence address: current utility bill, bank statement,  
922 government check, paycheck, or government document (excluding  
923 voter information card).

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924 4. Place the envelope bearing the affidavit into a mailing  
925 envelope addressed to the supervisor. Insert a copy of your  
926 identification in the mailing envelope. Mail (if time permits),  
927 deliver, or have delivered the completed affidavit along with  
928 the copy of your identification to your county supervisor of  
929 elections. Be sure there is sufficient postage if mailed and  
930 that the supervisor's address is correct. Remember, your  
931 information MUST reach your county supervisor of elections no  
932 later than 5 p.m. on the 2nd day after the election, or your  
933 ballot will not count.

934 5. Alternatively, you may fax or e-mail your completed  
935 affidavit and a copy of your identification to the supervisor of  
936 elections. If e-mailing, please provide these documents as  
937 attachments.

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939 (e) The department and each supervisor shall include the  
940 affidavit and instructions on their respective websites. The  
941 supervisor must include his or her office's mailing address, e-  
942 mail address, and fax number on the page containing the  
943 affidavit instructions, and the department's instruction page  
944 must include the office mailing addresses, e-mail addresses, and  
945 fax numbers of all supervisors of elections or provide a  
946 conspicuous link to such addresses.

947 (f) The supervisor shall attach each affidavit received to  
948 the appropriate vote-by-mail ballot mailing envelope.

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949 (g) If a vote-by-mail ballot is validated following the  
950 submission of a cure affidavit, the supervisor must ~~shall~~ make a  
951 copy of the affidavit, affix it to a voter registration  
952 application, and immediately process it as a valid request for a  
953 signature update pursuant to s. 98.077.

954 (h) After all election results on the ballot have been  
955 certified, the supervisor shall, on behalf of the county  
956 canvassing board, notify each elector whose ballot has been  
957 rejected as illegal and provide the specific reason the ballot  
958 was rejected. In addition, unless processed as a signature  
959 update pursuant to paragraph (g), the supervisor must ~~shall~~ mail  
960 a voter registration application to the elector to be completed  
961 indicating the elector's current signature if the signature on  
962 the voter's certificate or cure affidavit did not match the  
963 elector's signature in the registration books or precinct  
964 register.

965 **Section 21. Subsection (2) of section 101.6923, Florida**  
966 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

967 101.6923 Special vote-by-mail ballot instructions for  
968 certain first-time voters.—

969 (2) A voter covered by this section must be provided with  
970 printed instructions with his or her vote-by-mail ballot in  
971 substantially the following form:  
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973 READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE MARKING YOUR  
974 BALLOT. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS MAY CAUSE  
975 YOUR BALLOT NOT TO COUNT.  
976

977 1. In order to ensure that your vote-by-mail ballot will  
978 be counted, it should be completed and returned as soon as  
979 possible so that it can reach the supervisor of elections of the  
980 county in which your precinct is located no later than 7 p.m. on  
981 the date of the election. However, if you are an overseas voter  
982 casting a ballot in a presidential preference primary or general  
983 election, your vote-by-mail ballot must be postmarked or dated  
984 no later than the date of the election and received by the  
985 supervisor of elections of the county in which you are  
986 registered to vote no later than 10 days after the date of the  
987 election. Note that the later you return your ballot, the less  
988 time you will have to cure signature deficiencies, which is  
989 authorized until 5 p.m. local time on the 2nd day after the  
990 election.

991 2. Mark your ballot in secret as instructed on the ballot.  
992 You must mark your own ballot unless you are unable to do so  
993 because of blindness, disability, or inability to read or write.

994 3. Mark only the number of candidates or issue choices for  
995 a race as indicated on the ballot. If you are allowed to "Vote  
996 for One" candidate and you vote for more than one, your vote in  
997 that race will not be counted.

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998 4. Place your marked ballot in the enclosed secrecy  
999 envelope and seal the envelope.

1000 5. Insert the secrecy envelope into the enclosed envelope  
1001 bearing the Voter's Certificate. Seal the envelope and  
1002 completely fill out the Voter's Certificate on the back of the  
1003 envelope.

1004 a. You must sign your name on the line above (Voter's  
1005 Signature).

1006 b. If you are an overseas voter, you must include the date  
1007 you signed the Voter's Certificate on the line above (Date) or  
1008 your ballot may not be counted.

1009 c. A vote-by-mail ballot will be considered illegal and  
1010 will not be counted if the signature on the Voter's Certificate  
1011 does not match the signature on record. The signature on file at  
1012 the start of the canvass of the vote-by-mail ballots is the  
1013 signature that will be used to verify your signature on the  
1014 Voter's Certificate. If you need to update your signature for  
1015 this election, send your signature update on a voter  
1016 registration application to your supervisor of elections so that  
1017 it is received before your vote-by-mail ballot is received.

1018 6. Unless you meet one of the exemptions in Item 7., you  
1019 must make a copy of one of the following forms of  
1020 identification:

1021 a. Identification which must include your name and  
1022 photograph: United States passport or passport card; ~~debit or~~

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1023 ~~credit card; United States uniformed services or Merchant marine~~  
1024 ~~military identification; student identification; retirement~~  
1025 ~~center identification; neighborhood association identification;~~  
1026 ~~public assistance identification;~~ veteran health identification  
1027 card issued by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs;  
1028 a Florida license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm; or any  
1029 ~~an employee~~ identification card issued by any branch,  
1030 department, agency, or entity of the Federal Government, the  
1031 state, a county, or a municipality; or

1032       b. Identification which shows your name and current  
1033 residence address: current utility bill, bank statement,  
1034 government check, paycheck, or government document (excluding  
1035 voter information card).

1036       7. The identification requirements of Item 6. do not apply  
1037 if you meet one of the following requirements:

1038       a. You are 65 years of age or older.

1039       b. You have a temporary or permanent physical disability.

1040       c. You are a member of a uniformed service on active duty  
1041 who, by reason of such active duty, will be absent from the  
1042 county on election day.

1043       d. You are a member of the Merchant Marine who, by reason  
1044 of service in the Merchant Marine, will be absent from the  
1045 county on election day.

1046       e. You are the spouse or dependent of a member referred to  
1047 in paragraph c. or paragraph d. who, by reason of the active

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1048 duty or service of the member, will be absent from the county on  
1049 election day.

1050 f. You are currently residing outside the United States.

1051 8. Place the envelope bearing the Voter's Certificate into  
1052 the mailing envelope addressed to the supervisor. Insert a copy  
1053 of your identification in the mailing envelope. DO NOT PUT YOUR  
1054 IDENTIFICATION INSIDE THE SECRECY ENVELOPE WITH THE BALLOT OR  
1055 INSIDE THE ENVELOPE WHICH BEARS THE VOTER'S CERTIFICATE OR YOUR  
1056 BALLOT WILL NOT COUNT.

1057 9. Mail, deliver, or have delivered the completed mailing  
1058 envelope. Be sure there is sufficient postage if mailed.

1059 10. FELONY NOTICE. It is a felony under Florida law to  
1060 accept any gift, payment, or gratuity in exchange for your vote  
1061 for a candidate. It is also a felony under Florida law to vote  
1062 in an election using a false identity or false address, or under  
1063 any other circumstances making your ballot false or fraudulent.

1064 **Section 22. Section 102.141, Florida Statutes, is amended**  
1065 **to read:**

1066 102.141 County canvassing board; duties.—

1067 (1) MEMBERSHIP.—The county canvassing board shall be  
1068 composed of the supervisor of elections; a county court judge,  
1069 appointed by the chief judge of the judicial circuit in which  
1070 the county is located, and who shall act as chair; and the chair  
1071 of the board of county commissioners. The names of the  
1072 canvassing board members must be published on the supervisor's

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1073 website upon completion of the logic and accuracy test. At least  
1074 two alternate canvassing board members must be appointed  
1075 pursuant to paragraph (b) ~~(e)~~.

1076 (a) In the event any member of the county canvassing board  
1077 is unable to serve, is a candidate who has opposition in the  
1078 election being canvassed, or is an active participant,  
1079 including, but not limited to, publicly endorsing or donating to  
1080 in the campaign or candidacy of any candidate who has opposition  
1081 in the election being canvassed, or is an active participant  
1082 including, but not limited to, publicly endorsing or donating to  
1083 the support or opposition of a public measure on the ballot  
1084 being canvassed, such member shall be replaced as follows:

1085 1.(a) If a county court judge is unable to serve or if all  
1086 are disqualified, the chief judge of the judicial circuit in  
1087 which the county is located must appoint as a substitute member  
1088 a qualified voter elector of the county who is not a candidate  
1089 with opposition in the election being canvassed and who is not  
1090 an active participant, including, but not limited to, publicly  
1091 endorsing or donating to the support or opposition of in the  
1092 campaign or candidacy of any candidate with opposition in the  
1093 election being canvassed, or is an active participant including,  
1094 but not limited to, publicly endorsing or donating to the  
1095 support or opposition of a public measure on the ballot being  
1096 canvassed. In such event, the members of the county canvassing  
1097 board shall meet and elect a chair.

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1098        2.~~(b)~~ If the supervisor of elections is unable to serve or  
1099 is disqualified, the chair of the board of county commissioners  
1100 must appoint as a substitute member a member of the board of  
1101 county commissioners who is not a candidate with opposition in  
1102 the election being canvassed and who is not an active  
1103 participant, including, but not limited to, publicly endorsing  
1104 or donating to the support or opposition of in the campaign or  
1105 candidacy of any candidate with opposition in the election being  
1106 canvassed, or is an active participant, including, but not  
1107 limited to, publicly endorsing or donating to the support or  
1108 opposition of a public measure on the ballot being canvassed.  
1109 The supervisor, however, shall act in an advisory capacity to  
1110 the canvassing board.

1111        3.~~(e)~~ If the chair of the board of county commissioners is  
1112 unable to serve or is disqualified, the board of county  
1113 commissioners must appoint as a substitute member one of its  
1114 members who is not a candidate with opposition in the election  
1115 being canvassed and who is not an active participant, including,  
1116 but not limited to, publicly endorsing or donating to the  
1117 support or opposition of in the campaign or candidacy of any  
1118 candidate with opposition in the election being canvassed, or is  
1119 an active participant including, but not limited to, publicly  
1120 endorsing or donating to the support or opposition of a public  
1121 measure on the ballot being canvassed.

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1122 ~~(d) If a substitute member or alternate member cannot be~~  
1123 ~~appointed as provided elsewhere in this subsection, or in the~~  
1124 ~~event of a vacancy in such office, the chief judge of the~~  
1125 ~~judicial circuit in which the county is located must appoint as~~  
1126 ~~a substitute member or alternate member a qualified elector of~~  
1127 ~~the county who is not a candidate with opposition in the~~  
1128 ~~election being canvassed and who is not an active participant in~~  
1129 ~~the campaign or candidacy of any candidate with opposition in~~  
1130 ~~the election being canvassed.~~

1131 (b)1.(e)1. The chief judge of the judicial circuit in  
1132 which the county is located shall appoint a county court judge  
1133 as an alternate member of the county canvassing board or, if  
1134 each county court judge is unable to serve or is disqualified,  
1135 shall appoint an alternate member who is qualified to serve as a  
1136 substitute member under paragraph (a). Any alternate may serve  
1137 in any seat.

1138 2. The chair of the board of county commissioners shall  
1139 appoint a member of the board of county commissioners as an  
1140 alternate member of the county canvassing board or, if each  
1141 member of the board of county commissioners is unable to serve  
1142 or is disqualified, shall appoint an alternate member who is  
1143 qualified to serve as a substitute member under paragraph (d).

1144 3. If a member of the county canvassing board is unable to  
1145 participate in a meeting of the board, the chair of the county  
1146 canvassing board or his or her designee must designate which

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1147 alternate member will serve as a member of the board in the  
1148 place of the member who is unable to participate at that  
1149 meeting.

1150 4. If not serving as one of the three members of the  
1151 county canvassing board, an alternate member may be present,  
1152 observe, and communicate with the three members constituting the  
1153 county canvassing board, but may not vote in the board's  
1154 decisions or determinations.

1155 (c) If a substitute member or alternate member cannot be  
1156 appointed as provided in this subsection, or in the event of a  
1157 vacancy in such office, the chief judge of the judicial circuit  
1158 in which the county is located must appoint as a substitute  
1159 member or alternate member a qualified voter of the county who  
1160 is not a candidate with opposition in the election being  
1161 canvassed and who is not an active participant, including  
1162 endorsing, supporting, or donating, in the campaign or candidacy  
1163 of a candidate who has opposition in the election being  
1164 canvassed or in the support or opposition of a public measure on  
1165 the ballot being canvassed.

1166 (2) IDENTIFICATION.—Each member, substitute member, and  
1167 alternate member of the county canvassing board and all clerical  
1168 help must wear identification badges during any period in which  
1169 the county canvassing board is canvassing votes or engaging in  
1170 other official duties. The identification badges must be worn in



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1171 a conspicuous or unobstructed area, and include the name of the  
1172 individual and his or her official position.

1173 (3) LEGAL REPRESENTATION.—The county canvassing board  
1174 shall retain legal counsel, which may be the county attorney.

1175 (4) PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE.—

1176 (a) The county canvassing board shall meet in a building  
1177 accessible to the public in the county where the election  
1178 occurred at a time and place to be designated by the supervisor  
1179 to publicly canvass the absent voter's ~~electors'~~ ballots as  
1180 provided for in s. 101.68 and provisional ballots as provided by  
1181 ss. 101.048, 101.049, and 101.6925. During each meeting of the  
1182 county canvassing board, each political party and each candidate  
1183 may have one observer ~~watcher~~ able to view directly or on a  
1184 display screen ballots being examined for signature matching and  
1185 other processes. Provisional ballots cast pursuant to s. 101.049  
1186 shall be canvassed in a manner that votes for candidates and  
1187 issues on those ballots can be segregated from other votes. As  
1188 soon as the voter's ~~absent electors'~~ ballots and the provisional  
1189 ballots are canvassed, the board shall proceed to publicly  
1190 canvass the vote given each candidate, nominee, constitutional  
1191 amendment, or other measure submitted to the electorate of the  
1192 county, as shown by the returns then on file in the office of  
1193 the supervisor.

1194 (b) Public notice of the canvassing board members,  
1195 alternates, time, and place at which the county canvassing board

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1196 shall meet to canvass the voters' ~~absent electors'~~ ballots and  
1197 provisional ballots must be given at least 48 hours prior  
1198 thereto by publication on the county's website as provided in s.  
1199 50.0311, on the supervisor's website, or in one or more  
1200 newspapers of general circulation in the county. If the  
1201 applicable website becomes unavailable or there is no newspaper  
1202 of general circulation in the county, the notice must be posted  
1203 in at least four conspicuous places in the county. The time  
1204 given in the notice as to the convening of the meeting of the  
1205 county canvassing board must be specific and may not be a time  
1206 period during which the board may meet.

1207 (c) If the county canvassing board suspends or recesses a  
1208 meeting publicly noticed pursuant to paragraph (b) for a period  
1209 lasting more than 60 minutes, the board must post on the  
1210 supervisor's website the anticipated time at which the board  
1211 expects to reconvene. If the county canvassing board does not  
1212 reconvene at the specified time, the board must provide at least  
1213 2 hours' notice, which must be posted on the supervisor's  
1214 website, before reconvening.

1215 (d) During any meeting of the county canvassing board, a  
1216 physical notice must be placed in a conspicuous area near the  
1217 public entrance to the building in which the meeting is taking  
1218 place. The physical notice must include the names of the  
1219 individuals officially serving as the county canvassing board,  
1220 the names of any alternate members, the time of the meeting, and

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1221 a brief statement as to the anticipated activities of the county  
1222 canvassing board.

1223 (5)-(3) CANVASS OF RETURNS AND PROVISIONAL BALLOTS.—The  
1224 canvass, except the canvass of voters' ~~absent electors'~~ returns  
1225 and the canvass of provisional ballots, must ~~shall~~ be made from  
1226 the returns and certificates of the inspectors as signed and  
1227 filed by them with the supervisor, and the county canvassing  
1228 board may ~~shall~~ not change the number of votes cast for a  
1229 candidate, nominee, constitutional amendment, or other measure  
1230 submitted to the electorate of the county, respectively, in any  
1231 polling place, as shown by the returns. All returns must ~~shall~~  
1232 be made to the board on or before 2 a.m. of the day following  
1233 any primary, general, or other election. If the returns from any  
1234 precinct are missing, if there are any omissions on the returns  
1235 from any precinct, or if there is an obvious error on any such  
1236 returns, the canvassing board must ~~shall~~ order a retabulation of  
1237 the returns from such precinct. Before canvassing such returns,  
1238 the canvassing board shall examine the tabulation of the ballots  
1239 cast in such precinct and determine whether the returns  
1240 correctly reflect the votes cast. If there is a discrepancy  
1241 between the returns and the tabulation of the ballots cast, the  
1242 tabulation of the ballots cast must ~~shall~~ be presumed correct  
1243 and such votes shall be canvassed accordingly.

1244 (6)-(4) PRELIMINARY RESULTS.—

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1245 (a) The supervisor of elections shall upload into the  
1246 county's election management system by 7 p.m. local time on the  
1247 day before the election the results of all early voting and  
1248 vote-by-mail ballots that have been canvassed and tabulated by  
1249 the end of the early voting period. Pursuant to ss. 101.5614(8),  
1250 101.657, and 101.68(2), the tabulation of votes cast or the  
1251 results of such uploads may not be made public before the close  
1252 of the polls on election day.

1253 (b) The supervisor of elections, on behalf of the  
1254 canvassing board shall report all early voting and all tabulated  
1255 vote-by-mail results to the Department of State within 30  
1256 minutes after the polls close. Thereafter, ~~the canvassing board~~  
1257 ~~shall report,~~ with the exception of provisional ballot results,  
1258 updated precinct election results must be uploaded to the  
1259 department at least every 45 minutes until all results are  
1260 completely reported. The supervisor of elections shall notify  
1261 the department immediately of any circumstances that do not  
1262 permit periodic updates as required. Results must ~~shall~~ be  
1263 submitted in a format prescribed by the department.

1264 (7)(5) UNOFFICIAL RETURNS.-

1265 (a) The canvassing board shall submit on forms or in  
1266 formats provided by the division unofficial returns to the  
1267 Department of State for each federal, statewide, state, or  
1268 multicounty office or ballot measure no later than noon on the  
1269 third day after any primary election and no later than noon on

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1270 the fourth day after any general or other election. Such returns  
1271 must ~~shall~~ include the canvass of all ballots, including write-  
1272 in votes, as required by subsection (5) ~~(2)~~.

1273 (b) After unofficial results are reported, each county  
1274 shall conduct an automated independent vote validation process  
1275 to validate that the votes processed through the vote tabulation  
1276 system for a candidate for any office, candidate for retention  
1277 to a judicial office, or a measure appearing on the ballot do  
1278 not:

1279 1. Have a discrepancy of more than one-half of one percent  
1280 when compared to the results or the automated independent vote  
1281 validation system; or

1282 2. Result in a change in the outcome of the contest.

1283  
1284 The automated independent vote validation process must be  
1285 completed by no later than noon on the 6th day after any primary  
1286 election and no later than noon on the 7th day after any general  
1287 or other election.

1288 (c) ~~(6)~~ If the county canvassing board determines, after  
1289 the county conducts the automated independent vote validation  
1290 process in accordance with s. 101.591 and the comparison of the  
1291 results of the vote tabulation and the automated independent  
1292 vote validation indicates that the unofficial returns may  
1293 contain a counting error in which the vote tabulation system or  
1294 the automated independent vote validation system failed to count

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1295 votes that were properly marked in accordance with the  
1296 instructions on the ballot, the county canvassing board shall:

1297 ~~1.(a)~~ Correct the error and retabulate the affected  
1298 ballots with the vote tabulation system or the automated  
1299 independent vote validation system; or

1300 ~~2.(b)~~ Request that the Department of State verify the  
1301 ~~tabulation~~ software of the affected system. When the Department  
1302 of State verifies such software, the department shall compare  
1303 the software used to tabulate the votes with the software filed  
1304 with the department pursuant to s. 101.5607 and check the  
1305 election parameters.

1306 ~~(8)(7)~~ SYSTEM VALIDATION REVIEW.—

1307 (a) If the comparison of the results of the vote  
1308 tabulation system and the automated independent vote validation  
1309 system reflects a difference as described in paragraph (7)(b),  
1310 the proper county election official under the oversight of the  
1311 county canvassing board must conduct a system validation review  
1312 using the images in the automated independent vote validation  
1313 system of the ballots in disagreement, which must include, but  
1314 need not be limited to, a review of any clear overvotes or  
1315 undervotes that appear in the automated independent vote  
1316 validation system to adjudicate the voter intent of such ballots  
1317 before certification of the county's official results ~~unofficial~~  
1318 ~~returns reflect that a candidate for any office was defeated or~~  
1319 ~~eliminated by one-half of a percent or less of the votes cast~~

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1320 ~~for such office, that a candidate for retention to a judicial~~  
1321 ~~office was retained or not retained by one-half of a percent or~~  
1322 ~~less of the votes cast on the question of retention, or that a~~  
1323 ~~measure appearing on the ballot was approved or rejected by one-~~  
1324 ~~half of a percent or less of the votes cast on such measure, a~~  
1325 ~~recount shall be ordered of the votes cast with respect to such~~  
1326 ~~office or measure. The Secretary of State is responsible for~~  
1327 ~~ordering such system validation review recounts in races that~~  
1328 ~~are federal or, state races that are, and multicounty, and any~~  
1329 ~~other multicounty races. The county canvassing board or the~~  
1330 ~~local board responsible for certifying the election is~~  
1331 ~~responsible for ordering a system validation review under this~~  
1332 ~~subsection recounts in all other races. A system validation~~  
1333 ~~review recount need not be ordered with respect to the returns~~  
1334 ~~for any office, however, if the candidate or candidates defeated~~  
1335 ~~or eliminated from contention for such office by one-half of a~~  
1336 ~~percent or less of the votes cast for such office request in~~  
1337 ~~writing that a system validation review recount not be made.~~  
1338 ~~(a) Each canvassing board responsible for conducting a~~  
1339 ~~recount shall put each marksense ballot through automatic~~  
1340 ~~tabulating equipment and determine whether the returns correctly~~  
1341 ~~reflect the votes cast. If any marksense ballot is physically~~  
1342 ~~damaged so that it cannot be properly counted by the automatic~~  
1343 ~~tabulating equipment during the recount, a true duplicate shall~~  
1344 ~~be made of the damaged ballot pursuant to the procedures in s.~~

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1345 ~~101.5614(4). Immediately before the start of the recount, a test~~  
1346 ~~of the tabulating equipment shall be conducted as provided in s.~~  
1347 ~~101.5612. If the test indicates no error, the recount tabulation~~  
1348 ~~of the ballots cast shall be presumed correct and such votes~~  
1349 ~~shall be canvassed accordingly. If an error is detected, the~~  
1350 ~~cause therefor shall be ascertained and corrected and the~~  
1351 ~~recount repeated, as necessary. The canvassing board shall~~  
1352 ~~immediately report the error, along with the cause of the error~~  
1353 ~~and the corrective measures being taken, to the Department of~~  
1354 ~~State. No later than 11 days after the election, the canvassing~~  
1355 ~~board shall file a separate incident report with the Department~~  
1356 ~~of State, detailing the resolution of the matter and identifying~~  
1357 ~~any measures that will avoid a future recurrence of the error.~~  
1358 ~~If the automatic tabulating equipment used in a recount is not~~  
1359 ~~part of the voting system and the ballots have already been~~  
1360 ~~processed through such equipment, the canvassing board is not~~  
1361 ~~required to put each ballot through any automatic tabulating~~  
1362 ~~equipment again.~~

1363 ~~(b) Each canvassing board responsible for conducting a~~  
1364 ~~recount where touchscreen ballots were used shall examine the~~  
1365 ~~counters on the precinct tabulators to ensure that the total of~~  
1366 ~~the returns on the precinct tabulators equals the overall~~  
1367 ~~election return. If there is a discrepancy between the overall~~  
1368 ~~election return and the counters of the precinct tabulators, the~~



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1369 ~~counters of the precinct tabulators shall be presumed correct~~  
1370 ~~and such votes shall be canvassed accordingly.~~

1371 ~~(c) The canvassing board shall submit on forms or in~~  
1372 ~~formats provided by the division a second set of unofficial~~  
1373 ~~returns to the Department of State for each federal, statewide,~~  
1374 ~~state, or multicounty office or ballot measure. The returns~~  
1375 ~~shall be filed no later than 3 p.m. on the 5th day after any~~  
1376 ~~primary election and no later than 3 p.m. on the 9th day after~~  
1377 ~~any general election in which a recount was ordered by the~~  
1378 ~~Secretary of State. If the canvassing board is unable to~~  
1379 ~~complete the recount prescribed in this subsection by the~~  
1380 ~~deadline, the second set of unofficial returns submitted by the~~  
1381 ~~canvassing board shall be identical to the initial unofficial~~  
1382 ~~returns and the submission shall also include a detailed~~  
1383 ~~explanation of why it was unable to timely complete the recount.~~  
1384 ~~However, the canvassing board shall complete the recount~~  
1385 ~~prescribed in this subsection, along with any manual recount~~  
1386 ~~prescribed in s. 102.166, and certify election returns in~~  
1387 ~~accordance with the requirements of this chapter.~~

1388 ~~(d) The Department of State shall adopt detailed rules~~  
1389 ~~prescribing additional recount procedures for each certified~~  
1390 ~~voting system, which shall be uniform to the extent practicable.~~

1391 ~~(b)(8)~~ The canvassing board may employ such clerical help  
1392 to assist with the work of the board as it deems necessary, with  
1393 at least one member of the board present at all times, until the

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1394 canvass of the returns is completed. The clerical help must  
1395 ~~shall~~ be paid from the same fund as inspectors and other  
1396 necessary election officials.

1397 (c) The canvassing board shall publish notice on the  
1398 county website as provided in s. 50.0311, on the supervisor of  
1399 elections' website, or once in one or more newspapers of general  
1400 circulation in the county of the system validation review,  
1401 including the date, time, and place. Such review is open to the  
1402 public.

1403 (d) The canvassing board shall submit on forms or in  
1404 formats provided by the division a vote validation report to the  
1405 department for each federal, statewide, state, or multicounty  
1406 office or ballot measure in accordance with paragraph (7) (b). If  
1407 the canvassing board is unable to complete the system validation  
1408 review by the deadline, the vote validation report submitted by  
1409 the canvassing board must be identical to the initial unofficial  
1410 returns and the submission must also include a detailed  
1411 explanation of the reason it was unable to timely complete the  
1412 system validation review. However, the canvassing board shall  
1413 complete the system validation review prescribed in this  
1414 subsection, along with any manual review prescribed and certify  
1415 official election returns in accordance with the requirements of  
1416 this chapter.

1417 (e) The department shall adopt detailed rules prescribing  
1418 additional system validation review procedures for each

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1419 certified voting system, which must be uniform to the extent  
1420 practicable.

1421 ~~(9) Each member, substitute member, and alternate member~~  
1422 ~~of the county canvassing board and all clerical help must wear~~  
1423 ~~identification badges during any period in which the county~~  
1424 ~~canvassing board is canvassing votes or engaging in other~~  
1425 ~~official duties. The identification badges should be worn in a~~  
1426 ~~conspicuous and unobstructed area, and include the name of the~~  
1427 ~~individual and his or her official position.~~

1428 ~~(10) (a) The supervisor shall file a report with the~~  
1429 ~~Division of Elections on the conduct of the election no later~~  
1430 ~~than 20 business days after the Elections Canvassing Commission~~  
1431 ~~certifies the election. The report must, at a minimum, describe~~  
1432 ~~all of the following:~~

1433 ~~1. All equipment or software malfunctions at the precinct~~  
1434 ~~level, at a counting location, or within computer and~~  
1435 ~~telecommunications networks supporting a county location, and~~  
1436 ~~the steps that were taken to address the malfunctions.~~

1437 ~~2. All election definition errors that were discovered~~  
1438 ~~after the logic and accuracy test, and the steps that were taken~~  
1439 ~~to address the errors.~~

1440 ~~3. All ballot printing errors, vote-by-mail ballot mailing~~  
1441 ~~errors, or ballot supply problems, and the steps that were taken~~  
1442 ~~to address the errors or problems.~~

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1443 ~~4. All staffing shortages or procedural violations by~~  
1444 ~~employees or precinct workers which were addressed by the~~  
1445 ~~supervisor of elections or the county canvassing board during~~  
1446 ~~the conduct of the election, and the steps that were taken to~~  
1447 ~~correct such issues.~~

1448 ~~5. All instances where needs for staffing or equipment~~  
1449 ~~were insufficient to meet the needs of the voters.~~

1450 ~~6. Any additional information regarding material issues or~~  
1451 ~~problems associated with the conduct of the election.~~

1452 ~~(b) If a supervisor discovers new or additional~~  
1453 ~~information on any of the items required to be included in the~~  
1454 ~~report pursuant to paragraph (a) after the report is filed, the~~  
1455 ~~supervisor must notify the division that new information has~~  
1456 ~~been discovered no later than the next business day after the~~  
1457 ~~discovery, and the supervisor must file an amended report signed~~  
1458 ~~by the supervisor of elections on the conduct of the election~~  
1459 ~~within 10 days after the discovery.~~

1460 ~~(c) Such reports must be maintained on file in the~~  
1461 ~~Division of Elections and must be available for public~~  
1462 ~~inspection.~~

1463 ~~(d) The division shall review the conduct of election~~  
1464 ~~reports to determine what problems may be likely to occur in~~  
1465 ~~other elections and disseminate such information, along with~~  
1466 ~~possible solutions and training, to the supervisors of~~  
1467 ~~elections.~~

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1468 ~~(e) The department shall submit the analysis of these~~  
1469 ~~reports for the general election as part of the consolidated~~  
1470 ~~reports required under ss. 101.591 and 101.595 to the Governor,~~  
1471 ~~the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of~~  
1472 ~~Representatives by February 15 of each year following a general~~  
1473 ~~election.~~

1474 ~~(11) The supervisor shall file with the department a copy~~  
1475 ~~of or an export file from the results database of the county's~~  
1476 ~~voting system and other statistical information as may be~~  
1477 ~~required by the department, the Legislature, or the Election~~  
1478 ~~Assistance Commission. The department shall adopt rules~~  
1479 ~~establishing the required content and acceptable formats for the~~  
1480 ~~filings and time for filings.~~

1481 **Section 23. Section 102.143, Florida Statutes, is created**  
1482 **to read:**

1483 102.143 Conduct of election report.—

1484 (1) (a) The supervisor shall file a report with the  
1485 division on the conduct of the election no later than 15 days  
1486 after the election. The report must, at a minimum, describe all  
1487 of the following:

1488 1. All equipment or software malfunctions at the precinct  
1489 level, at a counting location, or within computer and  
1490 telecommunications networks supporting a county location, or  
1491 issues encountered with any state approved election system,  
1492 including, but not limited to, vote tabulation systems and

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1493 automated independent vote validation systems and the steps that  
1494 were taken to address the errors.

1495 2. All election definition errors that were discovered  
1496 after the logic and accuracy test, and the steps that were taken  
1497 to address the errors.

1498 3. All ballot printing errors, vote-by-mail ballot mailing  
1499 errors, or ballot supply problems and the steps that were taken  
1500 to address the errors or problems.

1501 4. All staffing shortages or procedural violations by  
1502 employees or precinct workers which were addressed by the  
1503 supervisor of elections or the county canvassing board during  
1504 the conduct of the election, and the steps that were taken to  
1505 correct such issues.

1506 5. All instances where the needs for staffing or equipment  
1507 were insufficient to meet the needs of the voters.

1508 6. Any additional information regarding material issues or  
1509 problems associated with the conduct of the election.

1510 (b) If a supervisor discovers new or additional  
1511 information for any of the items required to be included in the  
1512 report pursuant to paragraph (a) after the report is filed, the  
1513 supervisor must notify the division that new information has  
1514 been discovered no later than the next business day after the  
1515 discovery, and the supervisor must file an amended report signed  
1516 by the supervisor of elections on the conduct of the election  
1517 within 10 days after the discovery.

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1518 (c) Such reports must be maintained on file in the  
1519 division and must be available for public inspection.

1520 (2) The division shall review the conduct of election  
1521 reports to determine what problems may be likely to occur in  
1522 other elections and disseminate such information, along with  
1523 possible solutions and training, to the supervisors of  
1524 elections.

1525 (3) For the general election, the department shall submit  
1526 the analysis of these reports as part of the post-general  
1527 election report required under ss. 101.591 and 101.595 to the  
1528 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the  
1529 House of Representatives by February 15 of each year following a  
1530 general election.

1531 **Section 24. Section 102.166, Florida Statutes, is amended**  
1532 **to read:**

1533 102.166 Manual review ~~recounts~~ of overvotes and  
1534 undervotes.—

1535 (1) If the vote tabulation system indicates and automated  
1536 independent vote validation process ~~second set of unofficial~~  
1537 ~~returns~~ pursuant to ss. 101.591 and 102.141 ~~s. 102.141~~ confirms  
1538 ~~indicates~~ that a candidate for any office was defeated or  
1539 eliminated by one-quarter of a percent or less of the votes cast  
1540 for such office, that a candidate for retention to a judicial  
1541 office was retained or not retained by one-quarter of a percent  
1542 or less of the votes cast on the question of retention, or that

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1543 a measure appearing on the ballot was approved or rejected by  
1544 one-quarter of a percent or less of the votes cast on such  
1545 measure, a manual review ~~recount~~ of the overvotes and undervotes  
1546 cast in the entire geographic jurisdiction of such office or  
1547 ballot measure must shall be ordered and conducted in a manner  
1548 consistent with s. 102.41(8) unless:

1549 (a) The candidate or candidates defeated or eliminated  
1550 from contention by one-quarter of 1 percent or fewer of the  
1551 votes cast for such office request in writing that a manual  
1552 review ~~recount~~ not be made; or

1553 (b) The number of overvotes and undervotes is fewer than  
1554 the number of votes needed to change the outcome of the  
1555 election.

1556  
1557 The Secretary of State is responsible for ordering such manual  
1558 review in races that are a manual recount for federal or, state  
1559 races that are multicounty, and any other multicounty races. The  
1560 county canvassing board or local board responsible for  
1561 certifying the election is responsible for ordering a manual  
1562 review ~~recount~~ for all other races. A manual review ~~recount~~  
1563 consists of a review by a designee of the canvassing board  
1564 ~~recount~~ of paper ~~marksense~~ ballots or of digital images from an  
1565 independent vote validation system, if applicable ~~of these~~  
1566 ~~ballots by a person.~~



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1567 (2) Any hardware or software used to identify and sort  
1568 overvotes and undervotes for a given race or ballot measure must  
1569 be certified by the Department of State. Any such hardware or  
1570 software must be capable of simultaneously identifying and  
1571 sorting overvotes and undervotes in multiple races while  
1572 simultaneously counting votes. Overvotes and undervotes must be  
1573 identified and sorted while conducting the vote validation  
1574 process ~~recounting ballots~~ pursuant to s. 102.141. Overvotes and  
1575 undervotes may be identified and sorted physically or digitally.

1576 (3) Any manual review is ~~recount shall be~~ open to the  
1577 public. Each political party may designate one person with  
1578 expertise in the computer field who must be allowed in the  
1579 central counting room when all tests are being conducted and  
1580 when the official votes are being counted. The designee may not  
1581 interfere with the normal operation of the canvassing board.

1582 (4) (a) A vote for a candidate or ballot measure must ~~shall~~  
1583 be counted if there is a clear indication on the ballot that the  
1584 voter has made a definite choice.

1585 (b) The Department of State shall adopt specific rules for  
1586 the federal write-in absentee ballot and for each certified  
1587 voting system prescribing what constitutes a "clear indication  
1588 on the ballot that the voter has made a definite choice." The  
1589 rules must ~~shall~~ be consistent, to the extent practicable, and  
1590 may not:

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1591 1. Authorize the use of any electronic or  
1592 electromechanical reading device to review a hybrid voting  
1593 system ballot that is produced using a voter interface device  
1594 and that contains both machine-readable fields and machine-  
1595 printed text of the contest titles and voter selections, unless  
1596 the printed text is illegible;

1597 2. Exclusively provide that the voter must properly mark  
1598 or designate his or her choice on the ballot; or

1599 3. Contain a catch-all provision that fails to identify  
1600 specific standards, such as "any other mark or indication  
1601 clearly indicating that the voter has made a definite choice."

1602 (c) The rule for the federal write-in absentee ballot must  
1603 address, at a minimum, the following issues:

1604 1. The appropriate lines or spaces for designating a  
1605 candidate choice and, for state and local races, the office or  
1606 ballot measure to be voted, including the proximity of each to  
1607 the other and the effect of intervening blank lines.

1608 2. The sufficiency of designating a candidate's first or  
1609 last name when no other candidate in the race has the same or a  
1610 similar name.

1611 3. The sufficiency of designating a candidate's first or  
1612 last name when an opposing candidate has the same or a similar  
1613 name, notwithstanding generational suffixes and titles such as  
1614 "Jr.," "Sr.," or "III." The rule should contemplate the  
1615 sufficiency of additional first names and first initials, middle

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1616 names and middle initials, generational suffixes and titles,  
1617 nicknames, and, in general elections, the name or abbreviation  
1618 of a political party.

1619 4. Candidate designations containing both a qualified  
1620 candidate's name and a political party, including those in which  
1621 the party designated is the candidate's party, is not the  
1622 candidate's party, has an opposing candidate in the race, or  
1623 does not have an opposing candidate in the race.

1624 5. Situations where the abbreviation or name of a  
1625 candidate is the same as the abbreviation or name of a political  
1626 party to which the candidate does not belong, including those in  
1627 which the party designated has another candidate in the race or  
1628 does not have a candidate in the race.

1629 6. The use of marks, symbols, or language, such as arrows,  
1630 quotation marks, or the word "same" or "ditto," to indicate that  
1631 the same political party designation applies to all listed  
1632 offices or the elector's approval or disapproval of all listed  
1633 ballot measures.

1634 7. Situations in which an elector designates the name of a  
1635 qualified candidate for an incorrect office.

1636 8. Situations in which an elector designates an otherwise  
1637 correct office name that includes an incorrect district number.

1638 (5) Procedures for a manual review ~~recount~~ are as follows:

1639 (a) The county canvassing board shall appoint as many  
1640 counting teams of at least two electors as is necessary to

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1641 manually review ~~recount~~ the ballots. A counting team must have,  
1642 when possible, members of at least two political parties. A  
1643 candidate involved in the race shall not be a member of the  
1644 counting team.

1645 (b) Each duplicate ballot prepared pursuant to s.  
1646 101.5614(4) or s. 102.141(8) ~~s. 102.141(7)~~ shall be compared  
1647 with the original ballot to ensure the correctness of the  
1648 duplicate.

1649 (c) If a counting team is unable to determine whether the  
1650 ballot contains a clear indication that the voter has made a  
1651 definite choice, the ballot must ~~shall~~ be presented to the  
1652 county canvassing board for a determination.

1653 (d) The Department of State shall adopt detailed rules  
1654 prescribing additional review ~~recount~~ procedures for each  
1655 certified voting system which must ~~shall~~ be uniform to the  
1656 extent practicable. The rules must, at a minimum, ~~shall~~ address,  
1657 ~~at a minimum,~~ the following areas:

- 1658 1. Security of ballots during the manual review ~~recount~~  
1659 process;
- 1660 2. Time and place of manual reviews ~~recounts~~;
- 1661 3. Public observance of manual reviews ~~recounts~~;
- 1662 4. Objections to ballot determinations;
- 1663 5. Record of manual review ~~recount~~ proceedings;
- 1664 6. Procedures relating to candidate and petitioner  
1665 representatives; and

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1666 7. Procedures relating to the certification and the use of  
1667 automatic tabulating equipment that is not part of a voting  
1668 system.

1669 (6) Nothing in this section precludes a county canvassing  
1670 board or local board involved in the manual review ~~recount~~ from  
1671 comparing a digital image of a ballot to the corresponding  
1672 physical paper ballot during a manual review ~~recount~~.

1673 **Section 25. Subsection (1) of section 104.42, Florida**  
1674 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

1675 104.42 Fraudulent registration and illegal voting;  
1676 investigation.—

1677 (1) The supervisor of elections is authorized to  
1678 investigate fraudulent registrations and illegal voting and must  
1679 ~~to~~ report his or her findings to the local state attorney and  
1680 the Office of Election Crimes and Security.

1681 **Section 26. Subsection (12) of section 106.08, Florida**  
1682 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

1683 106.08 Contributions; limitations on.—

1684 (12)(a)1. For purposes of this subsection, the term  
1685 "foreign national" means:

- 1686 a. A foreign government;  
1687 b. A foreign political party;  
1688 c. A foreign corporation, partnership, association,  
1689 organization, or other combination of persons organized under

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1690 the laws of or having its principal place of business in a  
1691 foreign country;

1692 d. A person with foreign citizenship; or

1693 e. A person who is not a citizen or national of the United  
1694 States and is not lawfully admitted to the United States for  
1695 permanent residence.

1696 2. The term does not include:

1697 ~~a.~~ A person who is a dual citizen or dual national of the  
1698 United States and a foreign country.

1699 ~~b.~~ A domestic subsidiary of a foreign corporation,  
1700 partnership, association, organization, or other combination of  
1701 persons organized under the laws of or having its principal  
1702 place of business in a foreign country if:

1703 ~~(I)~~ The donations and disbursements used toward a  
1704 contribution or an expenditure are derived entirely from funds  
1705 generated by the subsidiary's operations in the United States;  
1706 and

1707 ~~(II)~~ All decisions concerning donations and disbursements  
1708 used toward a contribution or an expenditure are made by  
1709 individuals who either hold United States citizenship or are  
1710 permanent residents of the United States. For purposes of this  
1711 sub-sub-subparagraph, decisions concerning donations and  
1712 disbursements do not include decisions regarding the  
1713 subsidiary's overall budget for contributions or expenditures in  
1714 connection with an election.

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1715 (b) A foreign national may not make or offer to make,  
1716 directly or indirectly, a contribution or expenditure in  
1717 connection with any election held in the state or in connection  
1718 with a constitutional amendment proposed by initiative. A  
1719 political party, a political committee, an electioneering  
1720 communications organization, or a candidate may not knowingly  
1721 accept or solicit directly or indirectly, a contribution from a  
1722 foreign national in connection with any election held in this  
1723 state or in connection with a constitutional amendment proposed  
1724 by initiative. A person or entity who violates this section  
1725 commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in  
1726 s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, and shall also be subject  
1727 to a civil penalty equal to three times the amount contributed.  
1728 Such penalty shall be paid into the General Revenue Fund of this  
1729 state. Any penalty imposed against a person that is not an  
1730 individual jointly and severally attaches to the chair of the  
1731 entity if the entity does not pay the penalty within 30 days.  
1732 The Florida Election Commission shall be responsible for  
1733 determining violations, imposing civil penalties, and collecting  
1734 any unpaid civil penalties.

1735 **Section 27. Section 322.034, Florida Statutes, is created**  
1736 **to read:**

1737 322.034 Legal status designation on state-issued driver  
1738 licenses and identification cards.-

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1739 (1) By July 1, 2026, a driver license or Florida  
1740 identification card issued new or as a renewal to a qualified  
1741 application must include the legal status of the licensee or  
1742 card-holder as either United States citizen or a non-United  
1743 States citizen as last recorded in the system at the time of  
1744 issuance or renewal.

1745 (2) Notwithstanding this chapter, the department shall, at  
1746 no charge, issue or renew a replacement card if a licensee or  
1747 cardholder timely updates his or her legal status upon becoming  
1748 a citizen of the United States as required in s. 322.19.

1749 **Section 28. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (8) of**  
1750 **section 895.02, Florida Statutes, to read:**

1751 895.02 Definitions.—As used in ss. 895.01-895.08, the  
1752 term:

1753 (8) "Racketeering activity" means to commit, to attempt to  
1754 commit, to conspire to commit, or to solicit, coerce, or  
1755 intimidate another person to commit:

1756 (d) A violation of the Florida Election Code, relating to  
1757 irregularities or fraud involving voter registration, voting, or  
1758 candidate petitions.

1759 **Section 29.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.  
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1761 -----  
1762 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

1763 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:



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1764 A bill to be entitled

1765 An act relating to elections; amending s. 97.021,  
1766 F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 97.0525, F.S.;  
1767 requiring that the online voter registration system  
1768 generate a certain notice under a specified  
1769 circumstance; amending s. 97.053, F.S.; authorizing a  
1770 voter registration applicant to provide a copy of  
1771 certain documentation for a specified purpose;  
1772 providing construction; requiring supervisors of  
1773 elections to update a voter's record if provided  
1774 specified information by the applicant after  
1775 registration; providing that such updates are  
1776 retroactive to the date the application was received;  
1777 requiring an applicant to provide evidence to the  
1778 supervisor sufficient to prove the applicant's legal  
1779 status as a United States citizen under specified  
1780 circumstances; requiring the supervisor to place such  
1781 applicant on the voter rolls under a specified  
1782 circumstance; authorizing an applicant that has not  
1783 provided such evidence to vote a provisional ballot;  
1784 providing that such ballot may be counted only if the  
1785 applicant can verify his or her legal status within a  
1786 specified timeframe; revising the timeframe after  
1787 receipt in which a voter registration official must  
1788 enter the voter registration applications into the

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1789 system; amending s. 97.057, F.S.; requiring the  
1790 Department of State to provide certain information to  
1791 the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles;  
1792 requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
1793 Vehicles to assist the Department of State with  
1794 identifying changes in residential addresses in  
1795 accordance with a specified provision; amending s.  
1796 98.045, F.S.; requiring supervisors to make a certain  
1797 determination within a specified timeframe related to  
1798 a voter registration applicant who was previously  
1799 removed for ineligibility and to follow specified  
1800 procedures to notify the applicant, if applicable;  
1801 amending s. 98.075, F.S.; authorizing the Department  
1802 of State to enter into memorandums of understanding  
1803 with other state governments and share confidential  
1804 and exempt information with such governments;  
1805 requiring that such governments maintain the  
1806 confidentiality of such information; requiring the  
1807 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to  
1808 provide driver license and Florida identification card  
1809 information to such governments; requiring supervisors  
1810 to remove the name of a deceased voter under specified  
1811 circumstances; amending s. 98.093, F.S.; requiring  
1812 certain information be furnished to the Department of  
1813 State from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor

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1814 Vehicles; creating s. 98.094, F.S.; requiring that  
1815 lists of registered voters be provided to federal  
1816 courts for a specified purpose under a certain  
1817 condition; requiring federal jury coordinators to  
1818 prepare or cause to be prepared a certain list;  
1819 requiring that such list be sent to the Division of  
1820 Elections periodically; requiring that jury  
1821 coordinators provide the division with specified  
1822 information about each disqualified juror; requiring  
1823 the supervisor to use such list to conduct list  
1824 maintenance or eligibility maintenance procedures;  
1825 amending s. 99.021, F.S.; providing that certain  
1826 statements are substantive requirements; authorizing  
1827 qualified candidates and political parties with such  
1828 candidates to challenge another candidate's compliance  
1829 with a specified oath in a certain circuit court;  
1830 prohibiting a person from qualifying as a candidate  
1831 and appearing on the ballot if a court order becomes  
1832 final and makes certain determinations; amending s.  
1833 101.043, F.S.; revising the forms of current and valid  
1834 picture identifications that a voter must provide upon  
1835 entering the polling place; amending s. 101.048, F.S.;  
1836 revising the instructions that are included with cure  
1837 affidavits to conform to changes made by the act;  
1838 amending s. 101.151, F.S.; specifying that, in

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1839 presidential preference primaries only, the office  
1840 title may be placed above the list of names on the  
1841 ballot for that office; specifying that, in a primary  
1842 election only, the office title of Governor shall be  
1843 placed above the names of the candidates for such  
1844 office regardless of whether a Lieutenant Governor is  
1845 designated; conforming provisions to changes made by  
1846 the act; amending s. 101.5606, F.S.; conforming  
1847 provisions to changes made by the act; amending s.  
1848 101.56075, F.S.; requiring that locations where voting  
1849 takes place have certain voting machines available;  
1850 specifying the default voting method; requiring that a  
1851 certain device be provided if requested by a voter;  
1852 amending s. 101.5608, F.S.; requiring the inspector to  
1853 follow specified procedures before allowing a person  
1854 to vote in specified circumstances; conforming  
1855 provisions to changes made by the act; amending s.  
1856 101.5612, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made  
1857 by the act; amending s. 101.591, F.S.; deleting  
1858 provisions instructing how to perform a manual audit;  
1859 requiring the county canvassing board or local board  
1860 responsible for certifying an election to conduct an  
1861 independent vote validation of voting systems used in  
1862 all precincts; providing the procedure for such  
1863 independent vote validation; deleting provisions

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1864 related to independent audits; requiring that the  
1865 canvassing board publish certain notice on the  
1866 county's website, on the supervisor's website, or in  
1867 certain newspapers; requiring that such vote  
1868 validation be completed before the certification of  
1869 the election; requiring the county canvassing board or  
1870 local board responsible for the election to provide a  
1871 certain consolidated report; providing the  
1872 requirements of such report; deleting a provision that  
1873 allowed a manual recount to take the place of a  
1874 certain audit; amending s. 101.5911, F.S.; requiring  
1875 the department to adopt certain rules; conforming  
1876 provisions to changes made by the act; amending s.  
1877 101.595, F.S.; requiring the department to submit the  
1878 analysis of a certain report as part of a specified  
1879 consolidated report to the Governor and the  
1880 Legislature annually by a specified date; amending s.  
1881 101.68, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by  
1882 the act; amending s. 101.6923, F.S.; revising the  
1883 instructions sent to certain first-time voters to  
1884 conform to changes made by the act; amending s.  
1885 102.141, F.S.; revising the composition of county  
1886 canvassing boards; prohibiting persons who publicly  
1887 endorse or donate to candidates or are active  
1888 participants endorsing or opposing a public measure

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1889 from serving on county canvassing boards; requiring  
1890 members of a county canvassing board and all clerical  
1891 help to wear, at specified times, identification  
1892 badges in a certain manner and which include specified  
1893 information; requiring a county canvassing board to  
1894 retain the county attorney for any legal  
1895 representation; authorizing such board to retain  
1896 outside legal counsel under specified conditions;  
1897 specifying that the deadline by which supervisors  
1898 shall upload preliminary results is in local time;  
1899 requiring the supervisor on behalf of the county  
1900 canvassing board to report all early voting and vote-  
1901 by-mail tabulations to the department; requiring  
1902 counties to conduct a machine vote validation process  
1903 for a certain purpose after unofficial results are  
1904 reported; requiring that such process be completed  
1905 within a specified timeframe; requiring the county  
1906 canvassing board to take specified actions after  
1907 making a certain determination; requiring the county  
1908 canvassing board to conduct manual reviews under  
1909 specified circumstances; providing requirements for  
1910 such review; deleting provisions related to recounts  
1911 by the county canvassing board; requiring the county  
1912 canvassing board to publish notice containing manual  
1913 review information by specified means; providing that

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1914 such review are open to the public; requiring the  
1915 county canvassing board to submit to the department  
1916 certain forms containing a vote validation report;  
1917 providing requirements for such report; requiring the  
1918 county canvassing board to conduct manual reviews in  
1919 accordance with specified provisions; requiring the  
1920 department to adopt rules; creating s. 102.143, F.S.;  
1921 requiring the supervisor to file a report with the  
1922 division on the conduct on the election within a  
1923 specified timeframe; providing requirements for the  
1924 report; requiring the supervisor to notify the  
1925 Division of Elections of new information and file an  
1926 amended report including such information, if  
1927 applicable, within a specified timeframe; requiring  
1928 the division to maintain such reports on file and make  
1929 them available for public inspection; requiring the  
1930 division to review the reports for a specified  
1931 purpose; providing that the report is part of a  
1932 certain consolidated report submitted by the  
1933 department by a specified date each year following a  
1934 general election; amending s. 102.166, F.S.; requiring  
1935 manual reviews of overvotes and undervotes unless  
1936 certain conditions exist; requiring that overvotes and  
1937 undervotes be identified and sorted during the vote  
1938 validation process; providing that the secretary is

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1939 responsible for ordering such review in federal,  
1940 state, or multicounty races and the county canvassing  
1941 board, or local board responsible for certifying the  
1942 election, is responsible for ordering such reviews in  
1943 all other races; authorizing political parties to  
1944 designate a certain expert to be allowed in the  
1945 central counting room while tests are being performed;  
1946 prohibiting such person from interfering with the  
1947 normal operation of the canvassing board; conforming a  
1948 cross-reference; requiring the department to adopt  
1949 certain rules; amending s. 104.42, F.S.; requiring  
1950 certain investigations be reported to specified  
1951 entities; amending s. 106.08, F.S.; revising the  
1952 definition of the term "foreign national"; revising  
1953 the contributions or expenditures that a foreign  
1954 national is prohibited from making or offering to  
1955 make; prohibiting political parties, political  
1956 committees, committees associated with ballot issues  
1957 or questions, electioneering communications  
1958 organizations, and candidates from knowingly accepting  
1959 contributions from foreign nationals; providing  
1960 criminal penalties; providing for enhancement of  
1961 criminal penalties on subsequent offenses; providing  
1962 civil penalties; creating s. 322.034, F.S.; requiring  
1963 that driver licenses and Florida identification cards

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1964 include certain information; providing that applicants  
1965 providing certain documentation may not be charged a  
1966 fee for renewal; requiring that the Department of  
1967 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles comply with  
1968 specified provisions by a specified date; ; amending  
1969 s. 895.02, F.S.; revising the definition of the term  
1970 "racketeering activity"; providing effective date.