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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to election administration; amending  
3           s. 97.052, F.S.; revising requirements for the uniform  
4           statewide voter registration application; amending s.  
5           97.0525, F.S.; authorizing an applicant to submit an  
6           online voter registration application using the last  
7           four digits of the applicant's social security number;  
8           prescribing procedures for applicants who submit an  
9           application using the last four digits of their social  
10          security numbers; specifying additional requirements  
11          for comprehensive risk assessments of the online voter  
12          registration system; amending s. 97.053, F.S.;  
13          revising requirements governing the acceptance of  
14          voter registration applications; amending s. 97.057,  
15          F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and  
16          Motor Vehicles to assist the Department of State in  
17          identifying certain residence address changes;  
18          requiring the Department of State to report such  
19          changes to supervisors of elections; amending s.  
20          97.0575, F.S.; revising requirements for third-party  
21          voter registration organizations; providing  
22          applicability; revising circumstances under which a  
23          third-party voter registration organization is subject  
24          to fines for violations regarding the delivery of  
25          voter registration applications; revising requirements  
26          for Division of Elections rules governing third-party  
27          voter registration organizations; amending s. 97.0585,  
28          F.S.; deleting an exemption from public records  
29          requirements for information related to a voter

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30 registration applicant's or voter's prior felony  
31 conviction and his or her restoration of voting rights  
32 to conform to changes made by the act; amending s.  
33 97.1031, F.S.; revising requirements for notifying the  
34 supervisor of address changes; modifying procedures  
35 for submitting changes of name or party affiliation to  
36 conform to changes made by the act; amending s.  
37 98.0981, F.S.; providing that certain ballot types or  
38 precinct subtotals may not be reported in precinct-  
39 level election results; requiring supervisors to post  
40 live turnout data for election day voting and vote-by-  
41 mail ballot statistics on their websites; requiring  
42 supervisors to transmit live turnout data to the  
43 Division of Elections; directing the division to  
44 create and maintain a statewide voter turnout  
45 dashboard on its website using such data; amending s.  
46 99.021, F.S.; requiring a person seeking to qualify  
47 for office as a candidate with no party affiliation to  
48 subscribe to an oath or affirmation that he or she is  
49 registered without party affiliation and has not been  
50 a registered member of a political party for a  
51 specified timeframe; amending ss. 99.061 and 99.063,  
52 F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the  
53 act; amending s. 101.043, F.S.; deleting a provision  
54 that prohibits the use of an address appearing on  
55 identification presented by an elector at the polls as  
56 a basis to confirm an elector's legal residence;  
57 deleting a provision that prohibits a clerk or an  
58 inspector from asking an elector to provide additional

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59 identification information under specified  
60 circumstances; amending s. 101.051, F.S.; prohibiting  
61 certain solicitation of voters at drop box locations;  
62 increasing the no-solicitation zone surrounding a drop  
63 box location or the entrance of a polling place or an  
64 early voting site wherein certain activities are  
65 prohibited; amending s. 101.545, F.S.; requiring  
66 ballots, forms, and election materials to be retained  
67 for a specified minimum timeframe following an  
68 election; amending s. 101.5605, F.S.; revising the  
69 timeframe within which the department must approve or  
70 disapprove a voting system submitted for  
71 certification; amending s. 101.5614, F.S.; revising  
72 requirements for making true duplicate copies of vote-  
73 by-mail ballots under certain circumstances; requiring  
74 that an observer of the duplication of ballots be  
75 provided certain allowances; requiring the canvassing  
76 board to take certain action in response to an  
77 objection to a ballot duplicate; amending s. 101.591,  
78 F.S.; revising the timeframe and requirements for the  
79 voting systems audit report submitted to the  
80 department; amending s. 101.595, F.S.; requiring a  
81 specified report regarding overvotes and undervotes to  
82 be submitted with the voting systems audit report;  
83 revising the date by which the department must submit  
84 the report to the Governor and Legislature; amending  
85 s. 101.62, F.S.; limiting the duration of requests for  
86 vote-by-mail ballots to all elections through the end  
87 of the calendar year of the next regularly scheduled

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88 general election; specifying applicability; requiring  
89 certain vote-by-mail ballot requests to include  
90 additional identifying information regarding the  
91 requesting elector; requiring supervisors of elections  
92 to record whether a voter's certificate on a vote-by-  
93 mail ballot has a mismatched signature; revising the  
94 definition of the term "immediate family" to conform  
95 to changes made by the act; prohibiting counties,  
96 municipalities, and state agencies from sending vote-  
97 by-mail ballots to voters absent a request; providing  
98 exceptions; amending s. 101.64, F.S.; prohibiting the  
99 display of an absent elector's party affiliation or  
100 other partisan information on the outside of vote-by-  
101 mail ballots and return and secrecy envelopes;  
102 amending s. 101.68, F.S.; specifying that the  
103 supervisor may not use any knowledge of a voter's  
104 party affiliation during the signature comparison  
105 process; authorizing the canvassing of vote-by-mail  
106 ballots upon the completion of the public preelection  
107 testing of automatic tabulating equipment; amending s.  
108 101.69, F.S.; revising requirements governing the  
109 placement and supervision of secure drop boxes for the  
110 return of vote-by-mail ballots; requiring the  
111 supervisor to designate drop box locations in advance  
112 of an election; prohibiting changes in drop box  
113 locations for an election after their initial  
114 designation; specifying requirements regarding the  
115 retrieval of vote-by-mail ballots returned in a drop  
116 box; providing that the supervisor is subject to a

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117 civil penalty for certain violations regarding drop  
118 boxes; amending s. 102.031, F.S.; prohibiting certain  
119 solicitation activities within a specified area  
120 surrounding a drop box; revising the definition of  
121 "solicit" and "solicitation" to include the giving, or  
122 attempting to give, any item to a voter by certain  
123 persons; providing for construction; restricting  
124 certain persons from prohibiting the solicitation of  
125 voters by a candidate or a candidate's designee  
126 outside of the no-solicitation zone; amending s.  
127 102.141, F.S.; requiring the names of canvassing board  
128 members be published on the supervisor's website  
129 before the tabulation of any vote-by-mail ballots in  
130 an election; authorizing each political party and  
131 candidate to have one watcher at canvassing board  
132 meetings within a distance that allows him or her to  
133 directly observe proceedings; requiring additional  
134 information be included in public notices of  
135 canvassing board meetings; amending s. 104.0616, F.S.;  
136 revising the definition of "immediate family";  
137 prohibiting any person from distributing, ordering,  
138 requesting, collecting, delivering, or otherwise  
139 physically possessing more than two vote-by-mail  
140 ballots of other electors per election, not including  
141 immediate family members; providing exceptions;  
142 providing a penalty; providing effective dates.

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144 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:  
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146 Section 1. Paragraph (t) of subsection (2) of section  
147 97.052, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

148 97.052 Uniform statewide voter registration application.—

149 (2) The uniform statewide voter registration application  
150 must be designed to elicit the following information from the  
151 applicant:

152 (t)~~1.~~ Whether the applicant has ~~never~~ been convicted of a  
153 felony and, if convicted, has had his or her voting rights  
154 restored by including the statement "I affirm that I am not a  
155 convicted felon or, if I am, my right to vote has been restored  
156 ~~I have never been convicted of a felony.~~" and providing a box  
157 for the applicant to check to affirm the statement.

158 ~~2. Whether the applicant has been convicted of a felony,~~  
159 ~~and if convicted, has had his or her civil rights restored~~  
160 ~~through executive clemency, by including the statement "If I~~  
161 ~~have been convicted of a felony, I affirm my voting rights have~~  
162 ~~been restored by the Board of Executive Clemency."~~ and providing  
163 ~~a box for the applicant to check to affirm the statement.~~

164 ~~3. Whether the applicant has been convicted of a felony~~  
165 ~~and, if convicted, has had his or her voting rights restored~~  
166 ~~pursuant s. 4, Art. VI of the State Constitution, by including~~  
167 ~~the statement "If I have been convicted of a felony, I affirm my~~  
168 ~~voting rights have been restored pursuant to s. 4, Art. VI of~~  
169 ~~the State Constitution upon the completion of all terms of my~~  
170 ~~sentence, including parole or probation."~~ and providing a box  
171 ~~for the applicant to check to affirm the statement.~~

172 Section 2. Effective July 1, 2022, subsections (1) through  
173 (4) of section 97.0525, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

174 97.0525 Online voter registration.—

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175 (1) ~~Beginning October 1, 2017,~~ An applicant may submit an  
176 online voter registration application using the procedures set  
177 forth in this section.

178 (2) The division shall establish and maintain a secure  
179 ~~Internet~~ website that safeguards an applicant's information to  
180 ensure data integrity and permits an applicant to:

181 (a) Submit a voter registration application, including  
182 first-time voter registration applications and updates to  
183 current voter registration records.

184 (b) Submit information necessary to establish an  
185 applicant's eligibility to vote, pursuant to s. 97.041, which  
186 includes the information required for the uniform statewide  
187 voter registration application pursuant to s. 97.052(2).

188 (c) Swear to the oath required pursuant to s. 97.051.

189 (3) (a) The online voter registration system must ~~shall~~  
190 comply with the information technology security provisions of s.  
191 282.318 and must ~~shall~~ use a unique identifier for each  
192 applicant to prevent unauthorized persons from altering a  
193 voter's registration information. For an applicant to update his  
194 or her voter registration record, he or she must provide his or  
195 her date of birth and either his or her Florida driver license  
196 number or the identification number from a Florida  
197 identification card issued under s. 322.051 or the last four  
198 digits of his or her social security number if the applicant has  
199 not been issued a Florida driver license or identification card.

200 (b) The division shall conduct a comprehensive risk  
201 assessment of the online voter registration system ~~before making~~  
202 ~~the system publicly available and every 2 years thereafter.~~ The  
203 comprehensive risk assessment must comply with the risk

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204 assessment methodology developed by the Department of Management  
205 Services for identifying security risks, determining the  
206 magnitude of such risks, and identifying areas that require  
207 safeguards. In addition, the comprehensive risk assessment must  
208 incorporate all of the following:

209 1. Load testing and stress testing to ensure that the  
210 online voter registration system has sufficient capacity to  
211 accommodate foreseeable use, including during periods of high  
212 volume of website users in the week immediately preceding the  
213 book-closing deadline for an election.

214 2. Screening of computers and networks used to support the  
215 online voter registration system for malware and other  
216 vulnerabilities.

217 3. Evaluation of database infrastructure, including  
218 software and operating systems, in order to fortify defenses  
219 against cyberattacks.

220 4. Identification of any anticipated threats to the  
221 security and integrity of data collected, maintained, received,  
222 or transmitted by the online voter registration system.

223 (4) (a) In order to submit a voter registration application  
224 through the online voter registration system, an applicant must  
225 provide his or her Florida driver license number or the  
226 identification number from a Florida identification card issued  
227 under s. 322.051; or if an applicant has not been issued a  
228 Florida driver license or Florida identification card, he or she  
229 must provide the last four digits of the applicant's social  
230 security number.

231 (b)1. If the applicant has submitted his or her Florida  
232 driver license number or the identification number from a

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233 Florida identification card with a voter registration  
234 application, the online voter registration system shall compare  
235 the Florida driver license number or Florida identification  
236 number ~~submitted pursuant to s. 97.052(2)(n)~~ with information  
237 maintained by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
238 Vehicles to confirm that the name and date of birth on the  
239 application are consistent with the records of the Department of  
240 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

241 2.(b) If the applicant's name and date of birth are  
242 consistent with the records of the Department of Highway Safety  
243 and Motor Vehicles, the online voter registration system shall  
244 transmit, using the statewide voter registration system  
245 maintained pursuant to s. 98.035, the applicant's registration  
246 application, along with the digital signature of the applicant  
247 on file with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
248 Vehicles, to the supervisor of elections. The applicant's  
249 digital signature satisfies the signature requirement of s.  
250 97.052(2)(q).

251 (c)1. If the applicant has submitted the last four digits  
252 of his or her social security number, the online voter  
253 registration system must verify the last four digits of the  
254 social security number in accordance with s. 97.053(6).

255 2. If the last four digits of the applicant's social  
256 security number are verified pursuant to s. 97.053(6), the  
257 online voter registration system shall transmit, using the  
258 statewide voter registration system maintained pursuant to s.  
259 98.035, the applicant's registration application to the  
260 supervisor of elections.

261 (d) If the applicant's name and date of birth cannot be

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262 verified by the records of the Department of Highway Safety and  
263 Motor Vehicles, or if the last four digits of the applicant's  
264 social security number cannot be verified ~~applicant indicated~~  
265 ~~that he or she has not been issued a Florida driver license or~~  
266 ~~Florida identification card~~, the online voter registration  
267 system shall populate the applicant's information into a  
268 printable voter registration application pursuant to s.  
269 97.052(2) and direct the applicant to print, sign, and date the  
270 application and deliver the application to the supervisor of  
271 elections for disposition pursuant to s. 97.073.

272 Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) and subsection  
273 (6) of section 97.053, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

274 97.053 Acceptance of voter registration applications.—

275 (5) (a) A voter registration application is complete if it  
276 contains the following information necessary to establish the  
277 applicant's eligibility pursuant to s. 97.041, including:

278 1. The applicant's name.

279 2. The applicant's address of legal residence, including a  
280 distinguishing apartment, suite, lot, room, or dormitory room  
281 number or other identifier, if appropriate. Failure to include a  
282 distinguishing apartment, suite, lot, room, or dormitory room or  
283 other identifier on a voter registration application does not  
284 impact a voter's eligibility to register to vote or cast a  
285 ballot, and such an omission may not serve as the basis for a  
286 challenge to a voter's eligibility or reason to not count a  
287 ballot.

288 3. The applicant's date of birth.

289 4. A mark in the checkbox affirming that the applicant is a  
290 citizen of the United States.

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291 5.a. The applicant's current and valid Florida driver  
292 license number or the identification number from a Florida  
293 identification card issued under s. 322.051, or

294 b. If the applicant has not been issued a current and valid  
295 Florida driver license or a Florida identification card, the  
296 last four digits of the applicant's social security number.

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298 In case an applicant has not been issued a current and valid  
299 Florida driver license, Florida identification card, or social  
300 security number, the applicant shall affirm this fact in the  
301 manner prescribed in the uniform statewide voter registration  
302 application.

303 6. A mark in the ~~applicable~~ checkbox affirming that the  
304 applicant has not been convicted of a felony or that, if  
305 convicted, ~~has had his or her civil rights restored through~~  
306 ~~executive clemency, or~~ has had his or her voting rights restored  
307 ~~pursuant to s. 4, Art. VI of the State Constitution.~~

308 7. A mark in the checkbox affirming that the applicant has  
309 not been adjudicated mentally incapacitated with respect to  
310 voting or that, if so adjudicated, has had his or her right to  
311 vote restored.

312 8. The original signature or a digital signature  
313 transmitted by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
314 Vehicles of the applicant swearing or affirming under the  
315 penalty for false swearing pursuant to s. 104.011 that the  
316 information contained in the registration application is true  
317 and subscribing to the oath required by s. 3, Art. VI of the  
318 State Constitution and s. 97.051.

319 (6) A voter registration application, including an

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320 application with a change in name, address, or party  
321 affiliation, may be accepted as valid only after the department  
322 has verified the authenticity or nonexistence of the driver  
323 license number, the Florida identification card number, or the  
324 last four digits of the social security number provided by the  
325 applicant. If a completed voter registration application has  
326 been received by the book-closing deadline but the driver  
327 license number, the Florida identification card number, or the  
328 last four digits of the social security number provided by the  
329 applicant cannot be verified, the applicant shall be notified  
330 that the number cannot be verified and that the applicant must  
331 provide evidence to the supervisor sufficient to verify the  
332 authenticity of the applicant's driver license number, Florida  
333 identification card number, or last four digits of the social  
334 security number. If the applicant provides the necessary  
335 evidence, the supervisor shall place the applicant's name on the  
336 registration rolls as an active voter. If the applicant has not  
337 provided the necessary evidence or the number has not otherwise  
338 been verified prior to the applicant presenting himself or  
339 herself to vote, the applicant shall be provided a provisional  
340 ballot. The provisional ballot shall be counted only if the  
341 number is verified by the end of the canvassing period or if the  
342 applicant presents evidence to the supervisor of elections  
343 sufficient to verify the authenticity of the applicant's driver  
344 license number, Florida identification card number, or last four  
345 digits of the social security number no later than 5 p.m. of the  
346 second day following the election.

347 Section 4. Subsection (13) is added to section 97.057,  
348 Florida Statutes, to read:

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349 97.057 Voter registration by the Department of Highway  
350 Safety and Motor Vehicles.—

351 (13) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles  
352 must assist the Department of State in regularly identifying  
353 changes in residence address on the driver license or  
354 identification card of a voter. The Department of State must  
355 report each such change to the appropriate supervisor of  
356 elections, who must change the voter's registration records in  
357 accordance with s. 98.065(4).

358 Section 5. Paragraphs (c) and (d) of subsection (1),  
359 paragraph (a) of subsection (3), and subsection (5) of section  
360 97.0575, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

361 97.0575 Third-party voter registrations.—

362 (1) Before engaging in any voter registration activities, a  
363 third-party voter registration organization must register and  
364 provide to the division, in an electronic format, the following  
365 information:

366 (c) The names, permanent addresses, and temporary  
367 addresses, if any, of each registration agent registering  
368 persons to vote in this state on behalf of the organization.  
369 This paragraph does not apply to persons who only solicit  
370 applications and do not collect or handle voter registration  
371 applications.

372 ~~(d) A sworn statement from each registration agent employed~~  
373 ~~by or volunteering for the organization stating that the agent~~  
374 ~~will obey all state laws and rules regarding the registration of~~  
375 ~~voters. Such statement must be on a form containing notice of~~  
376 ~~applicable penalties for false registration.~~

377 (3) (a) A third-party voter registration organization that

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378 collects voter registration applications serves as a fiduciary  
379 to the applicant, ensuring that any voter registration  
380 application entrusted to the organization, irrespective of party  
381 affiliation, race, ethnicity, or gender, must ~~shall~~ be promptly  
382 delivered to the division or the supervisor of elections in the  
383 county in which the applicant resides within 14 days after the  
384 applicant completes it, but not after registration closes for  
385 the next ensuing election. A third-party voter registration  
386 organization must notify the applicant at the time the  
387 application is collected that the organization might not deliver  
388 the application to the division or the supervisor of elections  
389 in less than 14 days or before registration closes for the next  
390 ensuing election and must advise the applicant that he or she  
391 may deliver the application in person or by mail. The third-  
392 party voter registration organization must also inform the  
393 applicant how to register online with the division and how to  
394 determine whether the application has been delivered ~~48 hours~~  
395 ~~after the applicant completes it or the next business day if the~~  
396 ~~appropriate office is closed for that 48-hour period.~~ If a voter  
397 registration application collected by any third-party voter  
398 registration organization is not promptly delivered to the  
399 division or supervisor of elections, the third-party voter  
400 registration organization is liable for the following fines:  
401 1. A fine in the amount of \$50 for each application  
402 received by the division or the supervisor of elections in the  
403 county in which the applicant resides more than 14 days ~~48 hours~~  
404 after the applicant delivered the completed voter registration  
405 application to the third-party voter registration organization  
406 or any person, entity, or agent acting on its behalf ~~or the next~~

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407 ~~business day, if the office is closed.~~ A fine in the amount of  
408 \$250 for each application received if the third-party voter  
409 registration organization or person, entity, or agency acting on  
410 its behalf acted willfully.

411 2. A fine in the amount of \$100 for each application  
412 collected by a third-party voter registration organization or  
413 any person, entity, or agent acting on its behalf, before book  
414 closing for any given election for federal or state office and  
415 received by the division or the supervisor of elections in the  
416 county in which the applicant resides after the book-closing  
417 deadline for such election. A fine in the amount of \$500 for  
418 each application received if the third-party registration  
419 organization or person, entity, or agency acting on its behalf  
420 acted willfully.

421 3. A fine in the amount of \$500 for each application  
422 collected by a third-party voter registration organization or  
423 any person, entity, or agent acting on its behalf, which is not  
424 submitted to the division or supervisor of elections in the  
425 county in which the applicant resides. A fine in the amount of  
426 \$1,000 for any application not submitted if the third-party  
427 voter registration organization or person, entity, or agency  
428 acting on its behalf acted willfully.

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430 The aggregate fine pursuant to this paragraph which may be  
431 assessed against a third-party voter registration organization,  
432 including affiliate organizations, for violations committed in a  
433 calendar year is \$1,000.

434 (5) The division shall adopt by rule a form to elicit  
435 specific information concerning the facts and circumstances from

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436 a person who claims to have been registered to vote by a third-  
437 party voter registration organization but who does not appear as  
438 an active voter on the voter registration rolls. The division  
439 shall also adopt rules to ensure the integrity of the  
440 registration process, including controls to ensure that all  
441 completed forms are promptly delivered to the division or an  
442 appropriate supervisor ~~rules requiring third-party voter~~  
443 ~~registration organizations to account for all state and federal~~  
444 ~~registration forms used by their registration agents. Such rules~~  
445 ~~may require an organization to provide organization and form~~  
446 ~~specific identification information on each form as determined~~  
447 ~~by the department as needed to assist in the accounting of state~~  
448 ~~and federal registration forms.~~

449 Section 6. Paragraphs (d), (e), and (f) of subsection (1)  
450 of section 97.0585, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

451 97.0585 Public records exemption; information regarding  
452 voters and voter registration; confidentiality.-

453 (1) The following information held by an agency, as defined  
454 in s. 119.011, and obtained for the purpose of voter  
455 registration is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s.  
456 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution and may be used only for  
457 purposes of voter registration:

458 (d) ~~Information related to a voter registration applicant's~~  
459 ~~or voter's prior felony conviction and whether such person has~~  
460 ~~had his or her voting rights restored by the Board of Executive~~  
461 ~~Clemency or pursuant to s. 4, Art. VI of the State Constitution.~~

462 ~~(e)~~ All information concerning preregistered voter  
463 registration applicants who are 16 or 17 years of age.

464 (e)-(f) Paragraph (d) is Paragraphs (d) and (e) are subject

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465 to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s.  
466 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2024, unless  
467 reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the  
468 Legislature.

469 Section 7. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and subsection  
470 (2) of section 97.1031, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

471 97.1031 Notice of change of residence, change of name, or  
472 change of party affiliation.—

473 (1)

474 (b) If the address change is within the state and notice is  
475 provided to the supervisor of elections of the county where the  
476 elector has moved, the elector may do so by:

477 1. Contacting the supervisor of elections via telephone or  
478 electronic means, in which case the elector must provide his or  
479 her date of birth and either his or her Florida driver license  
480 number or the identification number from a Florida  
481 identification card issued under s. 322.051 or the last four  
482 digits of the his or her social security number if the elector  
483 has not been issued a Florida driver license or identification  
484 card; or

485 2. Submitting the change on a voter registration  
486 application or other signed written notice.

487 (2) When an elector seeks to change party affiliation, the  
488 elector shall notify his or her supervisor of elections or other  
489 voter registration official by submitting a voter registration  
490 application or other ~~using a~~ signed written notice that contains  
491 the elector's date of birth or voter registration number and  
492 either his or her Florida driver license number or the  
493 identification number from a Florida identification card issued

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494 under s. 322.051 or the last four digits of his or her social  
495 security number if the elector has not been issued a Florida  
496 driver license or identification card. When an elector changes  
497 his or her name by marriage or other legal process, the elector  
498 shall notify his or her supervisor of elections or other voter  
499 registration official by submitting a voter registration  
500 application or other ~~using a~~ signed written notice that contains  
501 the elector's date of birth or voter's registration number and  
502 either his or her Florida driver license number or the  
503 identification number from a Florida identification card issued  
504 under s. 322.051 or the last four digits of his or her social  
505 security number if the elector has not been issued a Florida  
506 driver license or identification card.

507 Section 8. Present subsections (4) and (5) of section  
508 98.0981, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (5)  
509 and (6), respectively, a new subsection (4) is added to that  
510 section, and paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of that section is  
511 amended, to read:

512 98.0981 Reports; voting history; statewide voter  
513 registration system information; precinct-level election  
514 results; book closing statistics; live turnout data.-

515 (2) PRECINCT-LEVEL ELECTION RESULTS.-

516 (a) Within 30 days after certification by the Elections  
517 Canvassing Commission of a presidential preference primary  
518 election, special election, primary election, or general  
519 election, the supervisors of elections shall collect and submit  
520 to the department precinct-level election results for the  
521 election in a uniform electronic format specified by paragraph  
522 (c). The precinct-level election results shall be compiled

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523 separately for the primary or special primary election that  
524 preceded the general or special general election, respectively.  
525 The results shall specifically include for each precinct the  
526 total of all ballots cast for each candidate or nominee to fill  
527 a national, state, county, or district office or proposed  
528 constitutional amendment, with subtotals for each candidate and  
529 ballot type. However, ballot type or precinct subtotals in a  
530 race or question having fewer than 30 voters voting on the  
531 ballot type or in the precinct may not be reported in precinct  
532 results, unless fewer than 30 voters voted a ballot type. "All  
533 ballots cast" means ballots cast by voters who cast a ballot  
534 whether at a precinct location, by vote-by-mail ballot including  
535 overseas vote-by-mail ballots, during the early voting period,  
536 or by provisional ballot.

537 (4) LIVE TURNOUT DATA.-

538 (a) Supervisors of elections shall make live voter turnout  
539 data on election day available on their respective websites. At  
540 a minimum, a supervisor must post updated turnout data on their  
541 website at 8 a.m., 2 p.m., and 6 p.m. on election day. The  
542 supervisors shall transmit the turnout data to the division,  
543 which must create and maintain a real-time statewide turnout  
544 dashboard that is available for viewing by the public on its  
545 website as the data becomes available.

546 (b) For each election, supervisors of elections shall make  
547 available on their respective websites the number of vote-by-  
548 mail ballots requested, the number of completed vote-by-mail  
549 ballots received, and the number of vote-by-mail ballots not yet  
550 tabulated. Such information must be updated daily.

551 Section 9. Present paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of

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552 section 99.021, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph  
553 (d), and a new paragraph (c) is added to that subsection, to  
554 read:

555 99.021 Form of candidate oath.—

556 (1)

557 (c) In addition, any person seeking to qualify for office  
558 as a candidate with no party affiliation shall, at the time of  
559 subscribing to the oath or affirmation, state in writing that he  
560 or she is registered without any party affiliation and that he  
561 or she has not been a registered member of any political party  
562 for 365 days before the beginning of qualifying preceding the  
563 general election for which the person seeks to qualify.

564 Section 10. Paragraph (a) of subsection (7) of section  
565 99.061, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

566 99.061 Method of qualifying for nomination or election to  
567 federal, state, county, or district office.—

568 (7) (a) In order for a candidate to be qualified, the  
569 following items must be received by the filing officer by the  
570 end of the qualifying period:

571 1. A properly executed check drawn upon the candidate's  
572 campaign account payable to the person or entity as prescribed  
573 by the filing officer in an amount not less than the fee  
574 required by s. 99.092, unless the candidate obtained the  
575 required number of signatures on petitions pursuant to s.  
576 99.095. The filing fee for a special district candidate is not  
577 required to be drawn upon the candidate's campaign account. If a  
578 candidate's check is returned by the bank for any reason, the  
579 filing officer shall immediately notify the candidate and the  
580 candidate shall have until the end of qualifying to pay the fee

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581 with a cashier's check purchased from funds of the campaign  
582 account. Failure to pay the fee as provided in this subparagraph  
583 shall disqualify the candidate.

584 2. The candidate's oath required by s. 99.021, which must  
585 contain the name of the candidate as it is to appear on the  
586 ballot; the office sought, including the district or group  
587 number if applicable; and the signature of the candidate, which  
588 must be verified under oath or affirmation pursuant to s.  
589 92.525(1) (a).

590 3. If the office sought is partisan, the written statement  
591 of political party affiliation required by s. 99.021(1) (b); or  
592 if the candidate is running without party affiliation for a  
593 partisan office, the written statement required by s.  
594 99.021(1) (c).

595 4. The completed form for the appointment of campaign  
596 treasurer and designation of campaign depository, as required by  
597 s. 106.021.

598 5. The full and public disclosure or statement of financial  
599 interests required by subsection (5). A public officer who has  
600 filed the full and public disclosure or statement of financial  
601 interests with the Commission on Ethics or the supervisor of  
602 elections prior to qualifying for office may file a copy of that  
603 disclosure at the time of qualifying.

604 Section 11. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section  
605 99.063, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

606 99.063 Candidates for Governor and Lieutenant Governor.—

607 (2) No later than 5 p.m. of the 9th day following the  
608 primary election, each designated candidate for Lieutenant  
609 Governor shall file with the Department of State:

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610 (b) If the office sought is partisan, the written statement  
611 of political party affiliation required by s. 99.021(1) (b); or  
612 if the office sought is without party affiliation, the written  
613 statement required by s. 99.021(1) (c).

614 Section 12. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (1) of  
615 section 101.043, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

616 101.043 Identification required at polls.-

617 (1)

618 (b) If the picture identification does not contain the  
619 signature of the elector, an additional identification that  
620 provides the elector's signature shall be required. The address  
621 appearing on the identification presented by the elector may not  
622 be used as the basis to ~~confirm an elector's legal residence or~~  
623 ~~otherwise~~ challenge an elector's legal residence. The elector  
624 shall sign his or her name in the space provided on the precinct  
625 register or on an electronic device provided for recording the  
626 elector's signature. The clerk or inspector shall compare the  
627 signature with that on the identification provided by the  
628 elector and enter his or her initials in the space provided on  
629 the precinct register or on an electronic device provided for  
630 that purpose and allow the elector to vote if the clerk or  
631 inspector is satisfied as to the identity of the elector.

632 ~~(c) When an elector presents his or her picture~~  
633 ~~identification to the clerk or inspector and the elector's~~  
634 ~~address on the picture identification matches the elector's~~  
635 ~~address in the supervisor's records, the elector may not be~~  
636 ~~asked to provide additional information or to recite his or her~~  
637 ~~home address.~~

638 Section 13. Subsections (2) and (5) of section 101.051,

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639 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

640 101.051 Electors seeking assistance in casting ballots;  
641 oath to be executed; forms to be furnished.—

642 (2) It is unlawful for any person to be in the voting booth  
643 with any elector except as provided in subsection (1). A person  
644 at a polling place, a drop box location, or an early voting  
645 site, or within 150 ~~100~~ feet of a drop box location or the  
646 entrance of a polling place or an early voting site, may not  
647 solicit any elector in an effort to provide assistance to vote  
648 pursuant to subsection (1). Any person who violates this  
649 subsection commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable  
650 as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

651 (5) If an elector needing assistance requests that a person  
652 other than an election official provide him or her with  
653 assistance in voting, the clerk or one of the inspectors shall  
654 require the person providing assistance to take the following  
655 oath:

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657 DECLARATION TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE

658

659 State of Florida

660 County of ....

661 Date ....

662 Precinct ....

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664 I, ...(Print name)..., have been requested by ...(print  
665 name of elector needing assistance)... to provide him or her  
666 with assistance to vote. I swear or affirm that I am not the  
667 employer, an agent of the employer, or an officer or agent of

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668 the union of the voter and that I have not solicited this voter  
669 at the polling place, drop box location, or early voting site or  
670 within 150 ~~100~~ feet of such locations in an effort to provide  
671 assistance.

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673 ... (Signature of assistor) ...

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675 Sworn and subscribed to before me this .... day of ....,

676 ... (year) ....

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678 ... (Signature of Official Administering Oath) ...

679 Section 14. Section 101.545, Florida Statutes, is amended  
680 to read:

681 101.545 Retention and destruction of certain election  
682 materials.—All ballots, forms, and other election materials  
683 shall be retained in the custody of the supervisor of elections  
684 for a minimum of 22 months after an election and in accordance  
685 with the schedule approved by the Division of Library and  
686 Information Services of the Department of State. All unused  
687 ballots, forms, and other election materials may, with the  
688 approval of the Department of State, be destroyed by the  
689 supervisor after the election for which such ballots, forms, or  
690 other election materials were to be used.

691 Section 15. Paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section  
692 101.5605, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

693 101.5605 Examination and approval of equipment.—

694 (2)

695 (d) The Department of State shall approve or disapprove any  
696 voting system submitted to it within 120 ~~90~~ days after the date

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697 of its initial submission.

698 Section 16. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section  
699 101.5614, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

700 101.5614 Canvass of returns.—

701 (4) (a) If any vote-by-mail ballot is physically damaged so  
702 that it cannot properly be counted by the voting system's  
703 automatic tabulating equipment, a true duplicate copy shall be  
704 made of the damaged ballot in an open and accessible room in the  
705 presence of witnesses and substituted for the damaged ballot.  
706 Likewise, a duplicate ballot shall be made of a vote-by-mail  
707 ballot containing an overvoted race or a marked vote-by-mail  
708 ballot containing an undervoted race, if there is a clear  
709 indication on the ballot that the voter has made a definite  
710 choice in the overvoted or undervoted race or ballot measure. A  
711 duplicate in which every race is undervoted which shall include  
712 all valid votes as determined by the canvassing board based on  
713 rules adopted by the division pursuant to s. 102.166(4). A  
714 duplicate may not include a vote if the voter's intent in such  
715 race or on such ballot measure is not clear ~~in which every race~~  
716 ~~is undervoted which shall include all valid votes as determined~~  
717 ~~by the canvassing board based on rules adopted by the division~~  
718 ~~pursuant to s. 102.166(4).~~ Upon request, a physically present  
719 candidate, a political party official, a political committee  
720 official, or an authorized designee thereof, must be allowed to  
721 observe the duplication of ballots. The observer must be able to  
722 observe the duplication of ballots in such a way that the  
723 observer is able to see the markings on each ballot and the  
724 duplication taking place. All duplicate ballots must ~~shall~~ be  
725 clearly labeled "duplicate," bear a serial number which shall be

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726 recorded on the defective ballot, and be counted in lieu of the  
727 defective ballot. After a ballot has been duplicated, the  
728 defective ballot shall be placed in an envelope provided for  
729 that purpose, and the duplicate ballot shall be tallied with the  
730 other ballots for that precinct. Upon reasonable objection by an  
731 observer to a duplicate of a ballot, the ballot must be  
732 presented to the canvassing board for a determination of the  
733 validity of the duplicate. The canvassing board must document  
734 the serial number of the ballot in the canvassing board's  
735 minutes. The canvassing board must decide whether the  
736 duplication is valid. If the duplicate ballot is determined to  
737 be valid, the duplicate ballot must be counted. If the duplicate  
738 ballot is determined to be invalid, the duplicate ballot must be  
739 rejected and a proper duplicate ballot must be made and counted  
740 in lieu of the original.

741 Section 17. Subsection (5) of section 101.591, Florida  
742 Statutes, is amended to read:

743 101.591 Voting system audit.—

744 (5) By December 15 of each general election year ~~Within 15~~  
745 ~~days after completion of the audit,~~ the county canvassing board  
746 or the board responsible for certifying the election shall  
747 provide a report with the results of the audit to the Department  
748 of State in a standard format as prescribed by the department.  
749 The report must be consolidated into one report with the  
750 overvote and undervote report required under s. 101.595(1). The  
751 report shall contain, but is not limited to, the following  
752 items:

753 (a) The overall accuracy of audit.

754 (b) A description of any problems or discrepancies

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755 encountered.

756 (c) The likely cause of such problems or discrepancies.

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

759 Section 18. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 101.595,  
760 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

761 101.595 Analysis and reports of voting problems.—

762 (1) No later than December 15 of each general election  
763 year, the supervisor of elections in each county shall report to  
764 the Department of State the total number of overvotes and  
765 undervotes in the "President and Vice President" or "Governor  
766 and Lieutenant Governor" race that appears first on the ballot  
767 or, if neither appears, the first race appearing on the ballot  
768 pursuant to s. 101.151(2), along with the likely reasons for  
769 such overvotes and undervotes and other information as may be  
770 useful in evaluating the performance of the voting system and  
771 identifying problems with ballot design and instructions which  
772 may have contributed to voter confusion. This report must be  
773 consolidated into one report with the audit report required  
774 under s. 101.591(5).

775 (3) The Department of State shall submit the report to the  
776 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the  
777 House of Representatives by February 15 ~~January 31~~ of each year  
778 following a general election.

779 Section 19. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1),  
780 subsection (3), and paragraph (c) of subsection (4) of section  
781 101.62, Florida Statutes, are amended, and subsection (7) is  
782 added to that section, to read:

783 101.62 Request for vote-by-mail ballots.—

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784 (1) (a) The supervisor shall accept a request for a vote-by-  
785 mail ballot from an elector in person or in writing. One request  
786 is shall be deemed sufficient to receive a vote-by-mail ballot  
787 for all elections through the end of the calendar year of the  
788 next second ensuing regularly scheduled general election,  
789 provided that a request received after November 6, 2018, and  
790 before July 1, 2021, is deemed sufficient through the end of the  
791 calendar year of the second ensuing regularly scheduled general  
792 election, unless the elector or the elector's designee indicates  
793 at the time the request is made the elections for which the  
794 elector desires to receive a vote-by-mail ballot. Such request  
795 may be considered canceled when any first-class mail sent by the  
796 supervisor to the elector is returned as undeliverable.

797 (b) The supervisor may accept a written or telephonic  
798 request for a vote-by-mail ballot to be mailed to an elector's  
799 address on file in the Florida Voter Registration System from  
800 the elector, or, if directly instructed by the elector, a member  
801 of the elector's immediate family, or the elector's legal  
802 guardian. For written or telephonic requests, the elector must  
803 provide either his or her Florida driver license number or  
804 Florida identification card number or the last four digits of  
805 his or her social security number. If the ballot is requested  
806 to be mailed to an address other than the elector's address on  
807 file in the Florida Voter Registration System, the request must  
808 be made in writing, and signed by the elector, and include  
809 either his or her Florida driver license number or Florida  
810 identification card number or the last four digits of his or her  
811 social security number. However, an absent uniformed service  
812 voter or an overseas voter seeking a vote-by-mail ballot is not

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813 required to submit a signed, written request for a vote-by-mail  
814 ballot that is being mailed to an address other than the  
815 elector's address on file in the Florida Voter Registration  
816 System. For purposes of this section, the term "immediate  
817 family" has the same meaning as specified in paragraph (4) (c).  
818 The person making the request must disclose:

819 1. The name of the elector for whom the ballot is  
820 requested.

821 2. The elector's address.

822 3. The elector's date of birth.

823 4. The elector's Florida driver license number or Florida  
824 identification card number or the last four digits of the  
825 elector's social security number.

826 5. The requester's name.

827 ~~6.5.~~ The requester's address.

828 ~~7.6.~~ The requester's driver license number or  
829 identification card number or the last four digits of the  
830 requester's social security number, if available.

831 ~~8.7.~~ The requester's relationship to the elector.

832 ~~9.8.~~ The requester's signature (written requests only).

833 (3) For each request for a vote-by-mail ballot received,  
834 the supervisor shall record the date the request was made;~~;~~ the  
835 date the vote-by-mail ballot was delivered to the voter or the  
836 voter's designee or the date the vote-by-mail ballot was  
837 delivered to the post office or other carrier; the identity of  
838 the voter's designee or the address to which the ballot was  
839 mailed;~~;~~ the date the ballot was received by the supervisor;~~;~~  
840 the absence of the voter's signature on the voter's certificate,  
841 if applicable; whether the voter's certificate contains a

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842 signature that does not match the elector's signature in the  
843 registration books or precinct register; and such other  
844 information he or she may deem necessary. This information shall  
845 be provided in electronic format as provided by division rule  
846 ~~adopted by the division~~. The information shall be updated and  
847 made available no later than 8 a.m. of each day, including  
848 weekends, beginning 60 days before the primary until 15 days  
849 after the general election and shall be contemporaneously  
850 provided to the division. This information shall be confidential  
851 and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and shall be made available to or  
852 reproduced only for the voter requesting the ballot, a  
853 canvassing board, an election official, a political party or  
854 official thereof, a candidate who has filed qualification papers  
855 and is opposed in an upcoming election, and registered political  
856 committees for political purposes only.

857 (4)

858 (c) The supervisor shall provide a vote-by-mail ballot to  
859 each elector by whom a request for that ballot has been made by  
860 one of the following means:

861 1. By nonforwardable, return-if-undeliverable mail to the  
862 elector's current mailing address on file with the supervisor or  
863 any other address the elector specifies in the request.

864 2. By forwardable mail, e-mail, or facsimile machine  
865 transmission to absent uniformed services voters and overseas  
866 voters. The absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter  
867 may designate in the vote-by-mail ballot request the preferred  
868 method of transmission. If the voter does not designate the  
869 method of transmission, the vote-by-mail ballot shall be mailed.

870 3. By personal delivery before 7 p.m. on election day to

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871 the elector, upon presentation of the identification required in  
872 s. 101.043.

873 4. By delivery to a designee on election day or up to 9  
874 days before ~~prior to~~ the day of an election. Any elector may  
875 designate in writing a person to pick up the ballot for the  
876 elector; however, the person designated may not pick up more  
877 than two vote-by-mail ballots per election, other than the  
878 designee's own ballot, except that additional ballots may be  
879 picked up for members of the designee's immediate family. For  
880 purposes of this section, "immediate family" means the  
881 designee's spouse or the parent, child, grandparent, grandchild,  
882 or sibling of the designee or of the designee's spouse. The  
883 designee shall provide to the supervisor the written  
884 authorization by the elector and a picture identification of the  
885 designee and must complete an affidavit. The designee shall  
886 state in the affidavit that the designee is authorized by the  
887 elector to pick up that ballot and shall indicate if the elector  
888 is a member of the designee's immediate family and, if so, the  
889 relationship. The department shall prescribe the form of the  
890 affidavit. If the supervisor is satisfied that the designee is  
891 authorized to pick up the ballot and that the signature of the  
892 elector on the written authorization matches the signature of  
893 the elector on file, the supervisor shall give the ballot to  
894 that designee for delivery to the elector.

895 5. Except as provided in s. 101.655, the supervisor may not  
896 deliver a vote-by-mail ballot to an elector or an elector's  
897 immediate family member on the day of the election unless there  
898 is an emergency, to the extent that the elector will be unable  
899 to go to his or her assigned polling place. If a vote-by-mail

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900 ballot is delivered, the elector or his or her designee shall  
901 execute an affidavit affirming to the facts which allow for  
902 delivery of the vote-by-mail ballot. The department shall adopt  
903 a rule providing for the form of the affidavit.

904 (7) Except as expressly authorized for voters having a  
905 disability under s. 101.662, for overseas voters under s.  
906 101.697, or for local referenda under ss. 101.6102 and 101.6103,  
907 a county, municipality, or state agency may not send a vote-by-  
908 mail ballot to a voter unless the voter has requested a vote-by-  
909 mail ballot in the manner authorized under this section.

910 Section 20. Subsection (6) is added to section 101.64,  
911 Florida Statutes, to read:

912 101.64 Delivery of vote-by-mail ballots; envelopes; form.-

913 (6) The outside of the ballot and the secrecy and mailing  
914 envelopes may not display the party affiliation of the absent  
915 elector who has been issued such ballot or display any other  
916 partisan information.

917 Section 21. Subsection (1) and paragraph (a) of subsection  
918 (2) of section 101.68, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

919 101.68 Canvassing of vote-by-mail ballot.-

920 (1) The supervisor of the county where the absent elector  
921 resides shall receive the voted ballot, at which time the  
922 supervisor shall compare the signature of the elector on the  
923 voter's certificate with the signature of the elector in the  
924 registration books or the precinct register to determine whether  
925 the elector is duly registered in the county and must ~~may~~ record  
926 on the elector's registration record ~~certificate~~ that the  
927 elector has voted. During the signature comparison process, the  
928 supervisor may not use any knowledge of the political

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929 affiliation of the voter whose signature is subject to  
930 verification. An elector who dies after casting a vote-by-mail  
931 ballot but on or before election day shall remain listed in the  
932 registration books until the results have been certified for the  
933 election in which the ballot was cast. The supervisor shall  
934 safely keep the ballot unopened in his or her office until the  
935 county canvassing board canvasses the vote. Except as provided  
936 in subsection (4), after a vote-by-mail ballot is received by  
937 the supervisor, the ballot is deemed to have been cast, and  
938 changes or additions may not be made to the voter's certificate.

939 (2) (a) The county canvassing board may begin the canvassing  
940 of vote-by-mail ballots upon the completion of the public  
941 testing of automatic tabulating equipment pursuant to s.  
942 101.5612(2) at 7 a.m. on the 22nd day before the election, but  
943 must begin such canvassing by no ~~not~~ later than noon on the day  
944 following the election. ~~In addition, for any county using~~  
945 ~~electronic tabulating equipment, the processing of vote by mail~~  
946 ~~ballots through such tabulating equipment may begin at 7 a.m. on~~  
947 ~~the 22nd day before the election.~~ However, notwithstanding any  
948 such authorization to begin canvassing or otherwise processing  
949 vote-by-mail ballots early, no result shall be released until  
950 after the closing of the polls in that county on election day.  
951 Any supervisor, deputy supervisor, canvassing board member,  
952 election board member, or election employee who releases the  
953 results of a canvassing or processing of vote-by-mail ballots  
954 prior to the closing of the polls in that county on election day  
955 commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in  
956 s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

957 Section 22. Subsection (2) of section 101.69, Florida

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958 Statutes, is amended, and subsection (3) is added to that  
959 section, to read:

960 101.69 Voting in person; return of vote-by-mail ballot.—

961 (2) (a) The supervisor shall allow an elector who has  
962 received a vote-by-mail ballot to physically return a voted  
963 vote-by-mail ballot to the supervisor by placing the envelope  
964 containing his or her marked ballot in a secure drop box. Secure  
965 drop boxes shall be placed at the main office of the supervisor,  
966 at each branch office of the supervisor, and at each early  
967 voting site. Secure drop boxes may also be placed at any other  
968 site that would otherwise qualify as an early voting site under  
969 s. 101.657(1). A secure drop box may only be used; provided,  
970 ~~however, that any such site must be staffed during the county's~~  
971 ~~early voting hours of operation and must be monitored in person~~  
972 ~~by an employee of the supervisor's office or a sworn law~~  
973 ~~enforcement officer.~~

974 (b) A supervisor shall designate each drop box site at  
975 least 30 days before an election. After a drop box location has  
976 been designated, it may not be moved or changed.

977 (c) On each day of early voting, all drop boxes must be  
978 emptied at the end of early voting hours and all ballots  
979 retrieved from the drop boxes must be returned to the  
980 supervisor's office. Employees of the supervisor must comply  
981 with procedures for the chain of custody of ballots as required  
982 by s. 101.015(4).

983 (3) If any drop box at an early voting site is left  
984 accessible for the return of ballots outside of early voting  
985 hours, the supervisor is subject to a civil penalty of \$25,000.  
986 The division is authorized to enforce this provision.

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987 Section 23. Paragraphs (a), (b), and (e) of subsection (4)  
988 of section 102.031, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

989 102.031 Maintenance of good order at polls; authorities;  
990 persons allowed in polling rooms and early voting areas;  
991 unlawful solicitation of voters.-

992 (4) (a) No person, political committee, or other group or  
993 organization may solicit voters inside the polling place or  
994 within 150 feet of a drop box or the entrance to any polling  
995 place, a polling room where the polling place is also a polling  
996 room, an early voting site, or an office of the supervisor where  
997 vote-by-mail ballots are requested and printed on demand for the  
998 convenience of electors who appear in person to request them.  
999 Before the opening of a drop box location, ~~the~~ polling place,  
1000 or an early voting site, the clerk or supervisor shall designate  
1001 the no-solicitation zone and mark the boundaries.

1002 (b) For the purpose of this subsection, the terms "solicit"  
1003 or "solicitation" shall include, but not be limited to, seeking  
1004 or attempting to seek any vote, fact, opinion, or contribution;  
1005 distributing or attempting to distribute any political or  
1006 campaign material, leaflet, or handout; conducting a poll except  
1007 as specified in this paragraph; seeking or attempting to seek a  
1008 signature on any petition; ~~and~~ selling or attempting to sell any  
1009 item; and giving or attempting to give any item to a voter. The  
1010 terms "solicit" or "solicitation" may not be construed to  
1011 prohibit an employee of, or a volunteer with, the supervisor  
1012 from providing nonpartisan assistance to voters within the no-  
1013 solicitation zone such as, but not limited to, giving items to  
1014 voters, or to prohibit exit polling.

1015 (e) The owner, operator, or lessee of the property on which

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1016 a polling place or an early voting site is located, or an agent  
1017 or employee thereof, may not prohibit the solicitation of voters  
1018 by a candidate or a candidate's designee outside of the no-  
1019 solicitation zone during polling hours.

1020 Section 24. Subsection (1) and paragraphs (a) and (b) of  
1021 subsection (2) of section 102.141, Florida Statutes, are amended  
1022 to read:

1023 102.141 County canvassing board; duties.—

1024 (1) The county canvassing board shall be composed of the  
1025 supervisor of elections; a county court judge, who shall act as  
1026 chair; and the chair of the board of county commissioners. The  
1027 names of the canvassing board members must be published on the  
1028 supervisor's website before any vote-by-mail ballot is  
1029 tabulated. Alternate canvassing board members must be appointed  
1030 pursuant to paragraph (e). In the event any member of the county  
1031 canvassing board is unable to serve, is a candidate who has  
1032 opposition in the election being canvassed, or is an active  
1033 participant in the campaign or candidacy of any candidate who  
1034 has opposition in the election being canvassed, such member  
1035 shall be replaced as follows:

1036 (a) If no county court judge is able to serve or if all are  
1037 disqualified, the chief judge of the judicial circuit in which  
1038 the county is located shall appoint as a substitute member a  
1039 qualified elector of the county who is not a candidate with  
1040 opposition in the election being canvassed and who is not an  
1041 active participant in the campaign or candidacy of any candidate  
1042 with opposition in the election being canvassed. In such event,  
1043 the members of the county canvassing board shall meet and elect  
1044 a chair.

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1045 (b) If the supervisor of elections is unable to serve or is  
1046 disqualified, the chair of the board of county commissioners  
1047 shall appoint as a substitute member a member of the board of  
1048 county commissioners who is not a candidate with opposition in  
1049 the election being canvassed and who is not an active  
1050 participant in the campaign or candidacy of any candidate with  
1051 opposition in the election being canvassed. The supervisor,  
1052 however, shall act in an advisory capacity to the canvassing  
1053 board.

1054 (c) If the chair of the board of county commissioners is  
1055 unable to serve or is disqualified, the board of county  
1056 commissioners shall appoint as a substitute member one of its  
1057 members who is not a candidate with opposition in the election  
1058 being canvassed and who is not an active participant in the  
1059 campaign or candidacy of any candidate with opposition in the  
1060 election being canvassed.

1061 (d) If a substitute member or alternate member cannot be  
1062 appointed as provided elsewhere in this subsection, or in the  
1063 event of a vacancy in such office, the chief judge of the  
1064 judicial circuit in which the county is located shall appoint as  
1065 a substitute member or alternate member a qualified elector of  
1066 the county who is not a candidate with opposition in the  
1067 election being canvassed and who is not an active participant in  
1068 the campaign or candidacy of any candidate with opposition in  
1069 the election being canvassed.

1070 (e)1. The chief judge of the judicial circuit in which the  
1071 county is located shall appoint a county court judge as an  
1072 alternate member of the county canvassing board or, if each  
1073 county court judge is unable to serve or is disqualified, shall

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1074 appoint an alternate member who is qualified to serve as a  
1075 substitute member under paragraph (a).

1076 2. The chair of the board of county commissioners shall  
1077 appoint a member of the board of county commissioners as an  
1078 alternate member of the county canvassing board or, if each  
1079 member of the board of county commissioners is unable to serve  
1080 or is disqualified, shall appoint an alternate member who is  
1081 qualified to serve as a substitute member under paragraph (d).

1082 3. If a member of the county canvassing board is unable to  
1083 participate in a meeting of the board, the chair of the county  
1084 canvassing board or his or her designee shall designate which  
1085 alternate member will serve as a member of the board in the  
1086 place of the member who is unable to participate at that  
1087 meeting.

1088 4. If not serving as one of the three members of the county  
1089 canvassing board, an alternate member may be present, observe,  
1090 and communicate with the three members constituting the county  
1091 canvassing board, but may not vote in the board's decisions or  
1092 determinations.

1093 (2) (a) The county canvassing board shall meet in a building  
1094 accessible to the public in the county where the election  
1095 occurred at a time and place to be designated by the supervisor  
1096 to publicly canvass the absent electors' ballots as provided for  
1097 in s. 101.68 and provisional ballots as provided by ss. 101.048,  
1098 101.049, and 101.6925. During each meeting of the county  
1099 canvassing board, each political party and each candidate may  
1100 have one watcher within a distance that allows him or her to  
1101 directly observe ballots being examined for signature matching  
1102 and other processes. Provisional ballots cast pursuant to s.

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1103 101.049 shall be canvassed in a manner that votes for candidates  
1104 and issues on those ballots can be segregated from other votes.  
1105 As soon as the absent electors' ballots and the provisional  
1106 ballots are canvassed, the board shall proceed to publicly  
1107 canvass the vote given each candidate, nominee, constitutional  
1108 amendment, or other measure submitted to the electorate of the  
1109 county, as shown by the returns then on file in the office of  
1110 the supervisor.

1111 (b) Public notice of the canvassing board members,  
1112 alternates, time, and place at which the county canvassing board  
1113 shall meet to canvass the absent electors' ballots and  
1114 provisional ballots must be given at least 48 hours prior  
1115 thereto by publication on the supervisor's website and published  
1116 in one or more newspapers of general circulation in the county  
1117 or, if there is no newspaper of general circulation in the  
1118 county, by posting such notice in at least four conspicuous  
1119 places in the county. The time given in the notice as to the  
1120 convening of the meeting of the county canvassing board must be  
1121 specific and may not be a time period during which the board may  
1122 meet.

1123 Section 25. Section 104.0616, Florida Statutes, is amended  
1124 to read:

1125 104.0616 Vote-by-mail ballots and voting; violations.—

1126 (1) For purposes of this section, the term "immediate  
1127 family" means a person's spouse or the parent, child,  
1128 grandparent, grandchild, or sibling of the person or the  
1129 person's spouse.

1130 (2) Any person who distributes, orders, requests, collects,  
1131 delivers ~~provides or offers to provide, and any person who~~

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1132 ~~accepts, a pecuniary or other benefit in exchange for~~  
1133 ~~distributing, ordering, requesting, collecting, delivering, or~~  
1134 otherwise physically possesses ~~possessing~~ more than two vote-by-  
1135 mail ballots per election in addition to his or her own ballot  
1136 or a ballot belonging to an immediate family member, except as  
1137 provided in ss. 101.6105-101.694, including supervised voting at  
1138 assisted living facilities and nursing home facilities as  
1139 authorized under s. 101.655, commits a misdemeanor of the first  
1140 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, ~~or~~  
1141 ~~s. 775.084.~~

1142       Section 26. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this  
1143 act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2021.