

53.24 Counties using voting machines.

In counties which provide the special precinct election board with voting machines, the absentee ballot envelopes shall be opened by the board and the ballots shall, without being unfolded, be thoroughly intermingled, after which they shall be unfolded and, under the personal supervision of precinct election officials of each of the political parties, be registered on voting machines the same as if the absent voter had been present and voted in person, except that a tally of the write-in votes may be kept in the tally list rather than on the machine. When two or more political subdivisions in the county are holding separate elections simultaneously, the commissioner may arrange the machine so that the absentee and provisional ballots for more than one election may be recorded on the same machine.

[C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, § **950**; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, § 53.24]

90 Acts, ch 1238, §31; 2005 Acts, ch 19, §24