

9E.6 Voting by program participant — absentee ballot.

1. A program participant who is an eligible elector may register to vote with the state commissioner of elections, pursuant to [section 48A.8, subsection 1](#). The name, address, and telephone number of a program participant shall not be listed in the statewide voter registration system.

2. *a.* A program participant who is otherwise eligible to vote may annually register with the state commissioner of elections as an absentee voter. As soon as practicable before each election, the state commissioner of elections shall determine the precinct in which the residential address of the program participant is located and shall request and receive from the county commissioner of elections the ballot for that precinct and shall forward the absentee ballot to the program participant with the other materials for absentee balloting as required of the county commissioner of elections by [section 53.8](#).

b. The program participant shall complete the ballot and return it to the state commissioner of elections, who shall review the ballot in the manner provided by sections [53.18](#) and [53.19](#). If the materials comply with the requirements of [section 53.18](#), the materials shall be certified by the state commissioner of elections as the ballot of a program participant, and shall be forwarded to the appropriate county commissioner of elections for tabulation by the special voters precinct election board appointed pursuant to [section 53.23](#).

c. The state commissioner of elections, to the extent practicable, shall administer [this section](#) in accordance with the provisions of [chapters 48A](#) and [53](#) applicable to county commissioners of elections.

2015 Acts, ch 96, §7, 17

Referred to in [§9E.3](#), [§48A.8](#), [§53.2](#)

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