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STATE GOVERNMENT

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Passed House, Date \_\_\_\_\_ Passed Senate, Date \_\_\_\_\_  
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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to petitions requesting establishment of  
2 satellite absentee voting stations.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 53.11, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code  
2 1997, is amended to read as follows:

3 Satellite absentee voting stations shall be established  
4 throughout the cities and county at the direction of the  
5 commissioner or upon receipt of a petition signed by not less  
6 than one hundred eligible electors requesting that a satellite  
7 absentee voting station be established at a location to be  
8 described on the petition. A petition requesting a satellite  
9 absentee voting station must be filed no later than five p.m.  
10 on the ~~eleventh~~ sixty-ninth day before the election. A  
11 satellite absentee voting station established by petition must  
12 be open at least one day from eight a.m. until five p.m. A  
13 satellite absentee voting station established at the direction  
14 of the commissioner or by petition may remain open until five  
15 p.m. on the day before the election.

16 EXPLANATION

17 This bill changes the filing deadline for petitions filed  
18 requesting establishment of absentee satellite voting  
19 stations. The bill changes the deadline from 11 days to 69  
20 days before the general election.

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