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State Government

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SENATE FILE

(SF/HF 362)

BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON STATE
GOVERNMENT BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON RITTMER)

Passed Senate, Date _____

Passed House, Date _____

Vote: Ayes _____ Nays _____

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to destruction of unvoted ballots.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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2 1999, is amended to read as follows:

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4 including voted ballots, precinct election registers,
5 declarations of eligibility signed by voters, documents
6 relating to absentee ballots, and challenges of voters, shall
7 be preserved for twenty-two months after the election. If a
8 contest is not pending the materials may be destroyed at the
9 end of the retention period.

10 Sec. 2. Section 50.19, Code 1999, is amended by adding the
11 following new unnumbered paragraph:

12 NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. Unvoted ballots for all
13 elections may be destroyed ten days following the deadline to
14 contest the election for which the ballots were prepared or
15 the day after final determination of all pending contests of
16 the election for which the ballots were prepared, whichever is
17 later.

18 EXPLANATION

19 This bill allows county commissioners of elections to
20 destroy unvoted ballots 10 days after the deadline for
21 contesting the election for which the ballots were prepared or
22 the day after final determinations have been made in contests
23 of the election, whichever is later.

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