

**House Study Bill 664 - Introduced**

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON  
STATE GOVERNMENT BILL BY  
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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the conduct of elections, including  
2 procedures for proposed amendments to the Iowa Constitution,  
3 the issuance of bonds, self-promotion with taxpayer  
4 funds, voter registration, and absentee ballots, providing  
5 penalties, and including effective date provisions.  
6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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DIVISION I

PROCEDURES FOR PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE IOWA CONSTITUTION

Section 1. Section 49.43, subsection 2, Code 2020, is amended to read as follows:

2. Constitutional amendments and other public measures ~~may~~ shall be summarized by the commissioner as provided in sections 49.44 and 52.25.

Sec. 2. Section 49.44, subsection 1, Code 2020, is amended to read as follows:

1. When a proposed constitutional amendment or other public measure to be decided by the voters of the entire state is to be voted upon, the state commissioner shall prepare a written summary of the amendment or measure including the number of the amendment or statewide public measure assigned by the state commissioner. The summary shall be printed immediately preceding the text of the proposed amendment or measure on the paper ballot or optical scan ballot referred to in section 49.43. If the complete text of the proposed amendment or public measure will not fit on the ballot it shall be posted inside the voting booth. A copy of the full text shall be included with any absentee ballots.

Sec. 3. REPEAL. Sections 49A.10 and 49A.11, Code 2020, are repealed.

DIVISION II

ISSUANCE OF BONDS

Sec. 4. Section 49.45, Code 2020, is amended to read as follows:

**49.45 General form of ballot.**

1. Ballots referred to in [section 49.43](#) shall be substantially in the following form:

Shall the following amendment to the Constitution (or public measure) be adopted?

- Yes
- No

1 (Here insert the summary, if it is for a constitutional  
2 amendment or statewide public measure, and in full the proposed  
3 constitutional amendment or public measure. The number  
4 assigned by the state commissioner or the letter assigned  
5 by the county commissioner shall be included on the ballot  
6 centered above the question, "Shall the following amendment to  
7 the Constitution [or public measure] be adopted?")

8 2. A public measure to approve the issuance of a bond  
9 pursuant to chapter 75 or 296 shall include on the ballot the  
10 current property tax levy, which shall immediately follow  
11 the proposed levy, and the term of the bond. Such a public  
12 measure shall also include on the ballot the average increase  
13 or decrease in the property tax burden of an average home in  
14 each county, as well as the average of such averages, according  
15 to data provided by the United States census bureau.

16 DIVISION III

17 SELF-PROMOTION WITH TAXPAYER FUNDS

18 Sec. 5. Section 68A.405A, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code  
19 2020, is amended by striking the paragraph.

20 Sec. 6. Section 68A.405A, Code 2020, is amended by adding  
21 the following new subsections:

22 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. For the purposes of this section,  
23 "*direct mass mailing*" means a mailing, regardless of whether  
24 the mailing was sent in response to a request or due to the  
25 recipient's enrollment in a program, the purpose of which is to  
26 attract public attention to a person, policy, product, service,  
27 program, initiative, law, legislation, event, or activity  
28 promoted by the statewide elected official that is all of the  
29 following:

30 a. Printed material delivered by the United States mail or  
31 other delivery service.

32 b. Sent to more than two hundred physical addresses.

33 c. Substantially similar or identical as regards each  
34 mailing.

35 d. Sent at the same time or within a thirty-day period.



1 the members of such court. The same fees shall be allowed to  
2 witnesses, to officers, and to other persons serving process or  
3 orders, as are allowed for like services in criminal cases, but  
4 no fees can be demanded in advance. The state treasurer shall,  
5 upon the presentation of certificates signed by the presiding  
6 officer and secretary of the senate, pay all of the foregoing  
7 compensations and the expenses of the senate incurred under the  
8 provisions of **this chapter**.

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DIVISION V

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CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS

11 Sec. 10. Section 39.12, Code 2020, is amended to read as  
12 follows:

13 **39.12 Failure to vacate.**

14 An elected official who has been elected to another elective  
15 office to which **section 39.11** applies shall choose only one  
16 office in which to serve. The official shall resign from all  
17 but one of the offices to which **section 39.11** applies before  
18 the beginning of the term of the office to which the person  
19 was most recently elected. Failure to submit the required  
20 resignation will result in a vacancy in ~~all~~ the first elective  
21 ~~offices~~ office to which the person was elected.

22 Sec. 11. Section 43.11, subsection 1, Code 2020, is amended  
23 to read as follows:

24 1. For an elective county office, in the office of the  
25 county commissioner not earlier than ninety-two days nor later  
26 than 5:00 p.m. on the ~~sixty-ninth~~ seventy-fourth day before the  
27 day fixed for holding the primary election.

28 Sec. 12. Section 43.16, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code  
29 2020, is amended to read as follows:

30 *b.* A person who has filed nomination papers with the  
31 commissioner may withdraw as a candidate not later than the  
32 ~~sixty-seventh~~ sixty-ninth day before the primary election by  
33 notifying the commissioner in writing.

34 Sec. 13. Section 43.23, Code 2020, is amended to read as  
35 follows:

1       **43.23 Death or withdrawal of primary candidate.**

2       1. If a person who has filed nomination papers with the  
3 state commissioner as a candidate in a primary election dies  
4 or withdraws up to the seventy-sixth day before the primary  
5 election, the appropriate convention or central committee of  
6 that person's political party may designate one ~~additional~~  
7 primary election candidate for the nomination that person  
8 was seeking, if the designation is submitted to the state  
9 commissioner in writing by 5:00 p.m. on the seventy-first day  
10 before the date of the primary election. The name of any  
11 candidate so submitted shall be included in the appropriate  
12 certificate or certificates furnished by the state commissioner  
13 under [section 43.22](#).

14       2. If a person who has filed nomination papers with the  
15 commissioner as a candidate in a primary election dies or  
16 withdraws up to the ~~sixty-seventh~~ sixty-ninth day before  
17 the primary election, the appropriate convention or central  
18 committee of that person's political party may designate one  
19 ~~additional~~ primary election candidate for the nomination  
20 that person was seeking, if the designation is submitted to  
21 the commissioner in writing by 5:00 p.m. on the ~~sixty-third~~  
22 sixty-fourth day before the primary election. The name of  
23 any candidate so submitted shall be placed on the appropriate  
24 ballot or ballots by the commissioner.

25       Sec. 14. Section 43.78, subsection 2, Code 2020, is amended  
26 to read as follows:

27       2. The name of any candidate designated to fill a vacancy  
28 on the general election ballot in accordance with subsection  
29 1, paragraph "a", "b", or "c" shall be submitted in writing  
30 to the state commissioner not later than 5:00 p.m. on the  
31 ~~seventy-third~~ seventy-sixth day before the date of the general  
32 election.

33       Sec. 15. Section 43.79, Code 2020, is amended to read as  
34 follows:

35       **43.79 Death of candidate after time for withdrawal.**

1 The death of a candidate nominated as provided by law for any  
2 office to be filled at a general election, during the period  
3 beginning on the ~~eighty-first~~ seventy-fifth day before the  
4 general election, in the case of any candidate whose nomination  
5 papers were filed with the state commissioner, or beginning  
6 on the seventy-third day before the general election, in the  
7 case of any candidate whose nomination papers were filed with  
8 the commissioner, and ending ~~on the last day before~~ at the  
9 time the polls close on the day of the general election shall  
10 not operate to remove the deceased candidate's name from the  
11 general election ballot. If the deceased candidate was seeking  
12 the office of senator or representative in the Congress of  
13 the United States, governor, attorney general, senator or  
14 representative in the general assembly or county supervisor,  
15 section 49.58 shall control. If the deceased candidate was  
16 seeking any other office, and as a result of the candidate's  
17 death a vacancy is subsequently found to exist, the vacancy  
18 shall be filled as provided by [chapter 69](#).

19 Sec. 16. Section 44.1, Code 2020, is amended to read as  
20 follows:

21 **44.1 ~~Political nonparty~~ Nonparty political organizations.**

22 Any convention or caucus of eligible electors representing  
23 a political organization which is not a political party as  
24 defined by law, may, for the state, or for any division or  
25 municipality thereof, or for any county, or for any subdivision  
26 thereof, for which such convention or caucus is held, make one  
27 nomination of a candidate for each office to be filled therein  
28 at the general election. However, in order to qualify for  
29 any nomination made for a statewide elective office by such  
30 a political organization there shall be in attendance at the  
31 convention or caucus where the nomination is made a minimum of  
32 ~~two hundred fifty~~ five hundred eligible electors including at  
33 least one eligible elector from each of twenty-five counties.  
34 In order to qualify for any nomination to the office of United  
35 States representative there shall be in attendance at the

1 convention or caucus where the nomination is made a minimum  
2 of ~~fifty~~ two hundred eligible electors who are residents of  
3 the congressional district including at least one eligible  
4 elector from each of at least one-half of the counties of  
5 the congressional district. In order to qualify for any  
6 nomination to an office to be filled by the voters of a county  
7 or of a city there shall be in attendance at the convention or  
8 caucus where the nomination is made a minimum of ~~ten~~ twenty  
9 eligible electors who are residents of the county or city,  
10 as the case may be, including at least one eligible elector  
11 from at least one-half of the voting precincts in that county  
12 or city. In order to qualify for any nomination made for  
13 the general assembly there shall be in attendance at the  
14 convention or caucus where the nomination is made a minimum  
15 of ~~ten~~ twenty-five eligible electors who are residents of the  
16 representative district or ~~twenty~~ fifty eligible electors who  
17 are residents of the senatorial district, as the case may be,  
18 with at least one eligible elector from one-half of the voting  
19 precincts in the district in each case. The names of all  
20 delegates in attendance at such convention or caucus and such  
21 fact shall be certified to the state commissioner together with  
22 the other certification requirements of [this chapter](#).

23 Sec. 17. Section 44.4, subsection 2, paragraph a,  
24 subparagraph (1), Code 2020, is amended to read as follows:

25 (1) Those filed with the state commissioner, not less than  
26 ~~sixty-eight~~ seventy-four days before the date of the election.

27 Sec. 18. Section 44.9, subsections 1 and 2, Code 2020, are  
28 amended to read as follows:

29 1. In the office of the state commissioner, ~~at least~~  
30 ~~sixty-eight days before the date of the election~~ as provided  
31 in section 43.76.

32 2. In the office of the appropriate commissioner, ~~at least~~  
33 ~~sixty-four days before the date of the election, except as~~  
34 ~~otherwise provided in~~ [subsection 6](#) as provided in section  
35 43.76.



1     Sec. 19. Section 48A.9, subsection 1, Code 2020, is amended  
2 to read as follows:

3     1. Registration closes at 5:00 p.m. eleven days before each  
4 election ~~except general elections. For general elections,~~  
5 ~~registration closes at 5:00 p.m. ten days before the election.~~  
6 An eligible elector may register during the time registration  
7 is closed in the elector's precinct but the registration shall  
8 not become effective until registration opens again in the  
9 elector's precinct, except as otherwise provided in section  
10 48A.7A.

11     Sec. 20. NEW SECTION. **49.2 Oversight by the state**  
12 **commissioner.**

13     The state commissioner, or a designee of the state  
14 commissioner, may, at the discretion of the state commissioner,  
15 oversee the activities of a county commissioner of elections  
16 during a period beginning sixty days before an election and  
17 ending sixty days after an election. For the purposes of this  
18 section, "oversee" means to observe election-related activity,  
19 correct any activity not in accordance with law, and issue a  
20 written notice and instructions pursuant to section 39A.6 for  
21 any technical infractions that are observed.

22     Sec. 21. NEW SECTION. **49.42B Form of official ballot —**  
23 **candidates for president and vice president.**

24     When candidates for president and vice president of the  
25 United States appear on the ballot, the following statement  
26 shall appear directly above the section of the ballot listing  
27 such candidates:

28     [A ballot cast for the named candidates for president  
29 and vice president of the United States is considered to be  
30 cast for the slate of presidential electors nominated by  
31 the political party, nonparty political organization, or  
32 independent candidate.]

33     Sec. 22. Section 49.53, subsection 1, Code 2020, is amended  
34 to read as follows:

35     1. The commissioner shall not less than four nor more than

1 twenty days before the day of each election, except those for  
2 which different publication requirements are prescribed by law,  
3 publish notice of the election. The notice shall ~~contain a~~  
4 ~~facsimile of the portion of the ballot containing the first~~  
5 ~~rotation as prescribed by section 49.31, subsection 2, and~~  
6 ~~shall show~~ list the names of all candidates or nominees and the  
7 office each seeks, and all public questions, to be voted upon  
8 at the election. ~~The sample ballot published as a part of the~~  
9 ~~notice may at the discretion of the commissioner be reduced in~~  
10 ~~size relative to the actual ballot but such reduction shall~~  
11 ~~not cause upper case letters appearing in candidates' names or~~  
12 ~~in summaries of public measures on the published sample ballot~~  
13 ~~to be less than nine point type.~~ The notice shall also state  
14 the date of the election, the hours the polls will be open,  
15 that each voter is required to provide identification at the  
16 polling place before the voter can receive and cast a ballot,  
17 the location of each polling place at which voting is to occur  
18 in the election, and the names of the precincts voting at each  
19 polling place, ~~but the statement need not set forth any fact~~  
20 ~~which is apparent from the portion of the ballot appearing as~~  
21 ~~a part of the same notice.~~ The notice shall include the full  
22 text of all public measures to be voted upon at the election.  
23 The notice may contain one or more facsimiles of the portion  
24 of the ballot containing the first rotation as prescribed by  
25 section 49.31, subsection 2.

26 Sec. 23. Section 49.58, subsection 1, Code 2020, is amended  
27 to read as follows:

28 1. If any candidate nominated by a political party,  
29 as defined in section 43.2, for the office of senator or  
30 representative in the Congress of the United States, governor,  
31 attorney general, or senator or representative in the general  
32 assembly dies during the period beginning on the ~~eighty-eighth~~  
33 eighty-first day and ending at the time the polls close on the  
34 ~~last day before of~~ the general election, or if any candidate  
35 so nominated for the office of county supervisor dies during

1 the period beginning on the ~~seventy-third~~ seventy-fourth day  
2 and ending at the time the polls close on the ~~last~~ day before  
3 of the general election, the vote cast at the general election  
4 for that office shall not be canvassed as would otherwise be  
5 required by chapter 50. Instead, a special election shall be  
6 held on the first Tuesday after the second Monday in December,  
7 for the purpose of electing a person to fill that office.

8       Sec. 24. Section 49.73, subsection 2, Code 2020, is amended  
9 by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu thereof the  
10 following:

11       2. *a.* The commissioner shall not shorten voting hours for  
12 any election if there is filed in the commissioner's office, at  
13 least twenty-five days before the election, a petition signed  
14 by at least fifty eligible electors of the school district  
15 or city, as the case may be, requesting that the polls be  
16 opened not later than 7:00 a.m. All polling places where the  
17 candidates of or any public question submitted by any one  
18 political subdivision are being voted upon shall be opened at  
19 the same hour, except that this requirement shall not apply to  
20 merged areas established under chapter 260C. The hours at which  
21 the respective precinct polling places are to open shall not  
22 be changed after publication of the notice required by section  
23 49.53. The polling places shall be closed at 8:00 p.m. for all  
24 elections.

25       *b.* The legislative services agency shall place on the  
26 internet site of the agency information regarding the opening  
27 and closing times of polling places until and including  
28 November 5, 2024. This paragraph is repealed effective July  
29 1, 2025.

30       Sec. 25. Section 49.109, Code 2020, is amended to read as  
31 follows:

32       **49.109 Employees entitled to time to vote.**

33       Any person entitled to vote at an election in this state who  
34 does not have ~~three~~ two consecutive hours in the period between  
35 the time of the opening and the time of the closing of the polls

1 during which the person is not required to be present at work  
2 for an employer, is entitled to such time off from work time to  
3 vote as will in addition to the person's nonworking time total  
4 ~~three~~ two consecutive hours during the time the polls are open.  
5 Application by any employee for such absence shall be made  
6 individually and in writing prior to the date of the election,  
7 and the employer shall designate the period of time to be  
8 taken. The employee is not liable to any penalty nor shall any  
9 deduction be made from the person's regular salary or wages on  
10 account of such absence.

11 Sec. 26. Section 49A.6, Code 2020, is amended to read as  
12 follows:

13 **49A.6 Certification — sample ballot.**

14 The state commissioner of elections shall, not less than  
15 ~~sixty-nine~~ sixty-three days preceding any election at which a  
16 constitutional amendment or public measure is to be submitted  
17 to a vote of the entire people of the state, transmit to the  
18 county commissioner of elections of each county a certified  
19 copy of the amendment or measure and a sample of the ballot to  
20 be used in such cases, prepared in accordance with law.

21 Sec. 27. Section 50.44, Code 2020, is amended to read as  
22 follows:

23 **50.44 Tie vote.**

24 1. If Except as otherwise provided in this section, if more  
25 than the requisite number of persons, including presidential  
26 electors, are found to have an equal and the highest number  
27 of votes, the election of one of them shall be determined by  
28 lot. The name of each of such candidates shall be written  
29 on separate pieces of paper, as nearly uniform in size and  
30 material as possible, and placed in a receptacle so that  
31 the names cannot be seen. In the presence of the board of  
32 canvassers, one of them shall publicly draw one of such names,  
33 and such person shall be declared elected. The result of such  
34 drawing shall be entered upon the abstract of votes and duly  
35 recorded, and a certificate of election issued to such person,

1 as provided in this chapter.

2 2. If more than the requisite number of candidates for  
3 United States senator or representative to the United States  
4 house of representatives are found to have an equal and highest  
5 number of votes, a special election shall be held sixty-six  
6 days after the final canvass or recount, whichever is later,  
7 in which each such candidate shall be the only candidates on  
8 the ballot.

9 3. If more than the requisite number of candidates for  
10 a statewide elected office, member of the general assembly,  
11 member of a board of supervisors, or a partisan office to  
12 be filled by a vote of the residents of a whole county, are  
13 found to have an equal and highest number of votes, a special  
14 election shall be held consistent with section 69.14, in which  
15 each such candidate shall be the only candidates on the ballot.

16 4. If more than the requisite number of presidential  
17 electors are found to have an equal and the highest number of  
18 votes, the presidential electors shall be assigned one-half  
19 to each candidate. If there is an odd number of presidential  
20 electors, the remaining elector shall be assigned by lot.

21 Sec. 28. Section 50.48, subsection 3, Code 2020, is amended  
22 by adding the following new paragraph:

23 NEW PARAGRAPH. c. In addition to the persons listed in  
24 paragraph "a", the candidate requesting the recount and the  
25 apparent winning candidate may each submit a request to a  
26 commissioner from a county other than the county conducting the  
27 recount to be present at the recount. Such a commissioner may  
28 report any irregularities observed by the commissioner at any  
29 time after the election to the state commissioner.

30 Sec. 29. Section 50.48, subsection 4, paragraph b, Code  
31 2020, is amended to read as follows:

32 b. Any member of the recount board may at any time during  
33 the recount proceedings for an election for a statewide elected  
34 official as defined in section 68B.2, a United States senator,  
35 or United States representative extend the recount of votes

1 cast for the office or nomination in question to any other  
2 precinct or precincts in the same county, or from which the  
3 returns were reported to the commissioner responsible for  
4 conducting the election, without the necessity of posting  
5 additional bond. The recount proceedings for an election for  
6 any other office shall include all precincts in which a ballot  
7 for the election was cast.

8 Sec. 30. NEW SECTION. **50.52 Enforcement.**

9 Members of local law enforcement agencies and the state  
10 patrol are authorized to take all reasonable actions to prevent  
11 violations of this chapter.

12 Sec. 31. Section 53.2, subsection 4, paragraph a,  
13 unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2020, is amended to read as  
14 follows:

15 ~~Each application shall contain the following information To~~  
16 request an absentee ballot, a registered voter shall provide:

17 Sec. 32. Section 53.2, subsection 4, paragraph b, Code 2020,  
18 is amended to read as follows:

19 *b.* If insufficient information has been provided, including  
20 the absence of a voter verification number, either on the  
21 prescribed form or on an application created by the applicant,  
22 the commissioner shall, ~~by the best means available, obtain~~  
23 the additional necessary information within twenty-four hours  
24 after the receipt of the absentee ballot request, contact the  
25 applicant by telephone and electronic mail, if such information  
26 has been provided by the applicant. If the commissioner is  
27 unable to contact the applicant by telephone or electronic  
28 mail, the commissioner shall send a notice to the applicant  
29 at the address where the applicant is registered to vote, or  
30 to the applicant's mailing address if it is different from  
31 the residential address. If the applicant has requested the  
32 ballot to be sent to an address that is not the applicant's  
33 residential or mailing address, the commissioner shall send an  
34 additional notice to the address where the applicant requested  
35 the ballot to be sent. A commissioner shall not use the voter

1 registration system to obtain additional necessary information.  
2 A voter requesting or casting a ballot pursuant to section  
3 53.22 shall not be required to provide a voter verification  
4 number. The state commissioner shall adopt rules to implement  
5 this section.

6 Sec. 33. Section 53.2, subsection 4, Code 2020, is amended  
7 by adding the following new paragraph:

8 NEW PARAGRAPH. *d.* If an applicant does not have current  
9 access to the applicant's voter verification number, the  
10 commissioner shall verify the applicant's identity prior to  
11 supplying the voter verification number by asking the applicant  
12 to provide at least two of the following facts about the  
13 applicant:

14 (1) Date of birth.

15 (2) The last four digits of the applicant's social security  
16 number, if applicable.

17 (3) Residential address.

18 (4) Mailing address.

19 (5) Middle name.

20 (6) Voter verification number as defined in paragraph "c".

21 Sec. 34. Section 53.10, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code  
22 2020, is amended to read as follows:

23 *a.* Each person who wishes to vote by absentee ballot at  
24 the commissioner's office shall first sign an application  
25 for a ballot including the following information: name,  
26 current address, voter verification number, and the election  
27 for which the ballot is requested. The person may report a  
28 change of address or other information on the person's voter  
29 registration record at that time. Prior to furnishing a  
30 ballot, the commissioner shall verify the person's identity  
31 as provided in section 49.78. The registered voter shall  
32 immediately mark the ballot; enclose the ballot in a secrecy  
33 envelope, if necessary, and seal it in the envelope marked  
34 with the affidavit; subscribe to the affidavit on the reverse  
35 side of the envelope; and return the absentee ballot to the

1 commissioner. The commissioner shall record the numbers  
2 appearing on the application and affidavit envelope along with  
3 the name of the registered voter.

4 Sec. 35. Section 53.10, subsection 2, Code 2020, is amended  
5 by adding the following new paragraph:

6 NEW PARAGRAPH. *Ob.* If an unregistered person offering  
7 to vote an absentee ballot pursuant to this section prior to  
8 the deadline in section 48A.9 does not have an Iowa driver's  
9 license, an Iowa nonoperator's identification card, or a voter  
10 identification number assigned to the voter by the state  
11 commissioner pursuant to section 47.7, subsection 2, the person  
12 may satisfy identity and residence requirements as provided in  
13 section 49.78. This section shall also apply to a registered  
14 voter casting a ballot pursuant to this section who has not yet  
15 received a voter verification number.

16 Sec. 36. Section 53.11, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code  
17 2020, is amended to read as follows:

18 *a.* Not more than twenty-nine days before the date of  
19 an election, satellite absentee voting stations ~~may be~~  
20 ~~established throughout the cities and county at the direction~~  
21 ~~of the commissioner and~~ shall be established upon receipt  
22 of a petition signed by not less than one hundred eligible  
23 electors requesting that a satellite absentee voting station  
24 be established at a location to be described on the petition.  
25 However, if a special election is scheduled in the county on a  
26 date that falls between the date of the regular city election  
27 and the date of the city runoff election, the commissioner is  
28 not required to establish a satellite absentee voting station  
29 for the city runoff election.

30 Sec. 37. Section 53.11, subsection 2, paragraph e, Code  
31 2020, is amended to read as follows:

32 *e.* For a special election, no later than ~~thirty-two~~ eighteen  
33 days before the special election.

34 Sec. 38. Section 53.18, subsections 2 and 3, Code 2020, are  
35 amended to read as follows:



1     2. a. If the commissioner receives the return envelope  
2 containing the completed absentee ballot by 5:00 p.m. on the  
3 Saturday before the election for general elections and by 5:00  
4 p.m. on the Friday before the election for all other elections,  
5 the commissioner shall review the affidavit marked on the  
6 return envelope, if applicable, for completeness or shall open  
7 the return envelope to review the affidavit for completeness.  
8 ~~If the affidavit is incomplete, the commissioner shall, within~~  
9 ~~twenty-four hours of the time the envelope was received, notify~~  
10 ~~the voter of that fact and that the voter may complete the~~  
11 ~~affidavit in person at the office of the commissioner by 5:00~~  
12 ~~p.m. on the day before the election, vote a replacement ballot~~  
13 ~~in the manner and within the time period provided in subsection~~  
14 ~~3, or appear at the voter's precinct polling place on election~~  
15 ~~day and cast a ballot in accordance with section 53.19,~~  
16 ~~subsection 3. If the affidavit lacks the signature of the~~  
17 ~~registered voter, the commissioner shall, within twenty-four~~  
18 ~~hours of the receipt of the envelope, notify the voter of the~~  
19 ~~deficiency and inform the voter that the voter may vote a~~  
20 ~~replacement ballot as provided in subsection 3, cast a ballot~~  
21 ~~as provided in section 53.19, subsection 3, or complete the~~  
22 ~~affidavit in person at the office of the commissioner not later~~  
23 ~~than noon on the Monday following the election, or if the law~~  
24 ~~authorizing the election specifies that the votes be canvassed~~  
25 ~~earlier than the Monday following the election, before the~~  
26 ~~canvass of the election.~~

27     b. If the commissioner receives the return envelope  
28 containing the completed absentee ballot after the deadline  
29 in paragraph "a", the commissioner shall submit the affidavit  
30 to the absentee and special voters precinct board for review.  
31 If the absentee and special voters precinct determines that  
32 the affidavit is incomplete, the commissioner shall, within  
33 twenty-four hours of the determination, notify the voter. If  
34 the affidavit lacks the signature of the registered voter, the  
35 commissioner shall notify the voter that the voter may complete

1 the affidavit in person at the office of the commissioner  
2 not later than noon on the Monday following the election, or  
3 if the law authorizing the election specifies that the votes  
4 be canvassed earlier than the Monday following the election,  
5 before the canvass of the election.

6 3. If the affidavit envelope or the return envelope marked  
7 with the affidavit contains a defect that would cause the  
8 absentee ballot to be rejected by the absentee and special  
9 voters precinct board, the commissioner shall immediately  
10 notify the voter of that fact and that the voter's absentee  
11 ballot shall not be counted unless the voter requests and  
12 returns a replacement ballot in the time permitted under  
13 section 53.17, subsection 2. ~~For the purposes of this section,~~  
14 ~~a return envelope marked with the affidavit shall be considered~~  
15 ~~to contain a defect if it appears to the commissioner that~~  
16 ~~the signature on the envelope has been signed by someone~~  
17 ~~other than the registered voter, in comparing the signature~~  
18 ~~on the envelope to the signature on record of the registered~~  
19 ~~voter named on the envelope. A signature or marking made~~  
20 ~~in accordance with section 39.3, subsection 17, shall not~~  
21 ~~be considered a defect for purposes of this section.~~ The  
22 voter may request a replacement ballot in person, in writing,  
23 or over the telephone. The same serial number that was  
24 assigned to the records of the original absentee ballot  
25 application shall be used on the envelope and records of the  
26 replacement ballot. The envelope marked with the affidavit and  
27 containing the completed replacement ballot shall be marked  
28 "Replacement ballot". The envelope marked with the affidavit  
29 and containing the original ballot shall be marked "Defective"  
30 and the replacement ballot shall be attached to such envelope  
31 containing the original ballot and shall be stored in a secure  
32 place until they are delivered to the absentee and special  
33 voters precinct board, notwithstanding sections 53.26 and  
34 53.27.

35 Sec. 39. Section 53.18, Code 2020, is amended by adding the

1 following new subsection:

2 NEW SUBSECTION. 04. For the purposes of this section, a  
3 return envelope marked with the affidavit shall be considered  
4 incomplete if the affidavit lacks the registered voter's  
5 signature. A signature or marking made in accordance with  
6 section 39.3, subsection 17, shall not cause an affidavit to be  
7 considered incomplete.

8 Sec. 40. Section 53.22, subsection 3, Code 2020, is amended  
9 to read as follows:

10 3. Any registered voter who becomes a patient, tenant, or  
11 resident of a hospital, assisted living program, or health care  
12 facility in the county where the voter is registered to vote  
13 ~~within three days prior to the date of any election~~ after the  
14 deadline to make a written application for an absentee ballot  
15 as provided in section 53.2 or on election day may request an  
16 absentee ballot during that period or on election day. As an  
17 alternative to the application procedure prescribed by section  
18 53.2, the registered voter may make the request directly to  
19 the officers who are delivering and returning absentee ballots  
20 under [this section](#). Alternatively, the request may be made by  
21 telephone to the office of the commissioner not later than four  
22 hours before the close of the polls. If the requester is found  
23 to be a registered voter of that county, these officers shall  
24 deliver the appropriate absentee ballot to the registered voter  
25 in the manner prescribed by [this section](#).

26 Sec. 41. Section 53.22, subsection 6, paragraph a, Code  
27 2020, is amended to read as follows:

28 a. If the registered voter becomes a patient, tenant, or  
29 resident of a hospital, assisted living program, or health  
30 care facility outside the county where the voter is registered  
31 to vote ~~within three days before the date of any election~~  
32 after the deadline to make a written application for an  
33 absentee ballot as provided in section 53.2 or on election  
34 day, the voter may designate a person to deliver and return  
35 the absentee ballot. The designee may be any person the voter

1 chooses except that no candidate for any office to be voted  
2 upon for the election for which the ballot is requested may  
3 deliver a ballot under **this subsection**. The request for an  
4 absentee ballot may be made by telephone to the office of the  
5 commissioner not later than four hours before the close of the  
6 polls. If the requester is found to be a registered voter of  
7 that county, the ballot shall be delivered by mail or by the  
8 person designated by the voter. An application form shall be  
9 included with the absentee ballot and shall be signed by the  
10 voter and returned with the ballot.

11 Sec. 42. Section 58.1, Code 2020, is amended to read as  
12 follows:

13 **58.1 Notice — grounds.**

14 The contestant for the office of governor shall, within  
15 ~~thirty~~ fourteen days after the proclamation of the result of  
16 the election, deliver to the presiding officer of each house  
17 of the general assembly a notice of intent to contest, and a  
18 specification of the grounds of such contest, as provided in  
19 chapter 62.

20 Sec. 43. Section 58.4, subsections 1 and 2, Code 2020, are  
21 amended to read as follows:

22 1. The names of members of each house, except the presiding  
23 officer and the majority and minority leaders, written on  
24 similar paper tickets, shall be placed in a box, the names of  
25 the senators in their presence by their secretary, and the  
26 names of the representatives in their presence by their clerk.

27 2. The secretary of the senate in the presence of the  
28 senate, and the clerk of the house of representatives in  
29 the presence of the house, shall draw from their respective  
30 boxes the names of ~~seven~~ five members each. The majority and  
31 minority leaders of each house shall also serve on the contest  
32 court.

33 Sec. 44. Section 68A.405, subsection 1, paragraph a,  
34 subparagraph (3), Code 2020, is amended to read as follows:

35 (3) "Published material" means any newspaper, magazine,

1 shopper, outdoor advertising facility, poster, direct mailing,  
2 brochure, internet site, campaign sign, or any other form of  
3 printed or electronic general public political advertising.  
4 "*Published material*" includes television, video, ~~or~~ motion  
5 picture advertising, automated telephone calls, and text  
6 messages.

7 Sec. 45. Section 68A.405, subsection 1, Code 2020, is  
8 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

9 NEW PARAGRAPH. *i.* An organization that sends a text message  
10 described by this section may abbreviate the words "paid for  
11 by" as "Pfb:". An organization may use the full name of the  
12 organization or the last name of the candidate followed by  
13 the organization's committee identification number. If the  
14 organization is a political party, the name of the organization  
15 may be abbreviated.

16 Sec. 46. NEW SECTION. **68A.507 Deceptive names prohibited.**

17 No person shall place on any published material, as defined  
18 in section 68A.405, a name or abbreviation of a name intended  
19 to cause a voter to believe that the person represents a  
20 political party or nonparty political organization of which the  
21 person is not a candidate.

22 Sec. 47. Section 69.9, Code 2020, is amended to read as  
23 follows:

24 **69.9 Person removed not eligible.**

25 No person can be appointed to fill a vacancy who has been  
26 removed from office ~~within one year next preceding.~~

27 Sec. 48. Section 69.14, Code 2020, is amended to read as  
28 follows:

29 **69.14 Special election to fill vacancies.**

30 1. A special election to fill a vacancy shall be held for a  
31 representative in Congress, when Congress is in session or will  
32 convene prior to the next general election, or for a senator or  
33 representative in the general assembly, when ~~the body in which~~  
34 such vacancy exists is in session, or the general assembly will  
35 convene prior to the next general election, and the governor

1 shall order, not later than five days from the date the vacancy  
2 exists, a special election, giving not less than forty days'  
3 notice of such election.

4 2. In the event the special election is to fill a vacancy  
5 in the general assembly while it is in session or within  
6 forty-five days of the convening of any session, ~~the time limit~~  
7 ~~provided in this section shall not apply~~ and the governor  
8 shall order ~~such~~, not later than five days after the day the  
9 vacancy occurs, a special election at the earliest practical  
10 time, giving at least eighteen ~~eighteen~~ twenty-one, but no more than  
11 forty-two, days' notice of the special election. Any special  
12 election called under ~~this section~~ must be held on a Tuesday  
13 and shall not be held on the same day as a school election  
14 within the district.

15 Sec. 49. Section 376.5, Code 2020, is amended to read as  
16 follows:

17 **376.5 Publication of ballot.**

18 Notice ~~containing a copy of the ballot~~ for each regular,  
19 special, primary, or runoff city election must be published by  
20 the county commissioner of elections as provided in section  
21 362.3, except that notice of a regular, primary, or runoff  
22 election may be published not less than four days before the  
23 date of the election. The published notice ~~must contain~~ shall  
24 list the names of all candidates, and may not contain any party  
25 designations. The published notice ~~must contain~~ shall include  
26 any question to be submitted to the voters. The notice may  
27 contain one or more facsimiles of the portion of the ballot  
28 containing the first arrangement of candidates as prescribed  
29 by section 49.31, subsection 2.

30 Sec. 50. Section 445.5, subsection 1, Code 2020, is amended  
31 by adding the following new paragraph:

32 NEW PARAGRAPH. *i.* Until November 5, 2024, the hours during  
33 which polling places are open on election days. This paragraph  
34 is repealed effective July 1, 2025.

35 Sec. 51. EFFECTIVE DATE. The following take effect January

1 1, 2021:

2 1. The section of this division of this Act amending section  
3 43.11.

4 2. The section of this division of this Act amending section  
5 43.16.

6 3. The section of this division of this Act amending section  
7 43.23.

8 4. The section of this division of this Act amending section  
9 43.78.

10 5. The section of this division of this Act amending section  
11 43.79.

12 6. The section of this division of this Act amending section  
13 44.1.

14 7. The section of this division of this Act amending section  
15 44.4.

16 8. The section of this division of this Act amending section  
17 44.9.

18 Sec. 52. EFFECTIVE DATE. The following, being deemed of  
19 immediate importance, take effect upon enactment:

20 1. The section of this division of this Act amending section  
21 49.79.

22 2. The section of this division of this Act amending section  
23 49.109.

24 DIVISION VI

25 VOTER REGISTRATION

26 Sec. 53. Section 47.7, Code 2020, is amended by adding the  
27 following new subsection:

28 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. The state registrar of voters shall use  
29 information from the electronic registration information center  
30 to update information in the statewide voter registration  
31 system, including but not limited to the following reports:

32 a. In-state duplicates.

33 b. In-state updates.

34 c. Cross-state matches.

35 d. Deceased.

1 e. Eligible but unregistered.

2 f. National change of address.

3 Sec. 54. Section 48A.10A, subsection 1, Code 2020, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 1. The state registrar shall compare lists of persons who  
6 are registered to vote with the department of transportation's  
7 driver's license and nonoperator's identification card files  
8 and shall, on an initial basis, issue a voter identification  
9 card to each active, registered voter whose name does not  
10 appear in the department of transportation's files. The voter  
11 identification card shall include the name of the registered  
12 voter, a signature line above which the registered voter shall  
13 sign the voter identification card, the registered voter's  
14 identification number assigned to the voter pursuant to section  
15 47.7, subsection 2, ~~and~~ an additional four-digit personal  
16 identification number assigned by the state commissioner, and  
17 the times during which polling places will be open on election  
18 days.

19 Sec. 55. Section 48A.26B, Code 2020, is amended to read as  
20 follows:

21 **48A.26B Form of acknowledgment.**

22 The state registrar shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter  
23 17A to prescribe the form of written acknowledgments sent to  
24 a registrant by a commissioner pursuant to [section 48A.26](#) or  
25 48A.26A. An acknowledgment sent after March 1, 2023, shall  
26 include the times during which polling places will be open on  
27 election days.

28 Sec. 56. Section 48A.27, subsection 4, paragraph c,  
29 subparagraph (2), Code 2020, is amended to read as follows:

30 (2) The notice shall contain a statement in substantially  
31 the following form:

32 Information received from the United States postal service  
33 indicates that you are no longer a resident of, and therefore  
34 not eligible to vote in (name of county) County, Iowa. If this  
35 information is not correct, and you still live in (name of



1 county) County, please complete and mail the attached postage  
2 paid card at least ~~ten days before the primary or general~~  
3 ~~election and at least~~ eleven days before any ~~other~~ election at  
4 which you wish to vote. If the information is correct and you  
5 have moved, please contact a local official in your new area  
6 for assistance in registering there. If you do not mail in  
7 the card, you may be required to show identification before  
8 being allowed to vote in (name of county) County. If you do not  
9 return the card, and you do not vote in an election in (name  
10 of county) County, Iowa, on or before (date of second general  
11 election following the date of the notice) your name will be  
12 removed from the list of voters in that county.

13 Sec. 57. Section 48A.29, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code  
14 2020, is amended to read as follows:

15 *b.* The notice shall contain a statement in substantially the  
16 following form:

17 Information received from the United States postal service  
18 indicates that you are no longer a resident of (residence  
19 address) in (name of county) County, Iowa. If this information  
20 is not correct, and you still live in (name of county) County,  
21 please complete and mail the attached postage paid card at  
22 ~~least ten days before the primary or general election and at~~  
23 least eleven days before any ~~other~~ election at which you wish  
24 to vote. If the information is correct, and you have moved,  
25 please contact a local official in your new area for assistance  
26 in registering there. If you do not mail in the card, you may  
27 be required to show identification before being allowed to vote  
28 in (name of county) County. If you do not return the card, and  
29 you do not vote in some election in (name of county) County,  
30 Iowa, on or before (date of second general election following  
31 the date of the notice) your name will be removed from the list  
32 of voters in that county.

33 Sec. 58. Section 48A.29, subsection 3, paragraph b, Code  
34 2020, is amended to read as follows:

35 *b.* The notice shall contain a statement in substantially the

1 following form:

2 Information received by this office indicates that you are no  
3 longer a resident of (residence address) in (name of county)  
4 County, Iowa. If the information is not correct, and you still  
5 live at that address, please complete and mail the attached  
6 postage paid card ~~at least ten days before the primary or~~  
7 ~~general election and~~ at least eleven days before any other  
8 election at which you wish to vote. If the information is  
9 correct, and you have moved within the county, you may update  
10 your registration by listing your new address on the card and  
11 mailing it back. If you have moved outside the county, please  
12 contact a local official in your new area for assistance in  
13 registering there. If you do not mail in the card, you may be  
14 required to show identification before being allowed to vote in  
15 (name of county) County. If you do not return the card, and you  
16 do not vote in some election in (name of county) County, Iowa,  
17 on or before (date of second general election following the  
18 date of the notice) your name will be removed from the list of  
19 registered voters in that county.

20 Sec. 59. NEW SECTION. **48A.39A Voter list maintenance**  
21 **reports.**

22 1. The commissioner of registration shall annually  
23 submit to the state registrar of voters a report regarding  
24 the number of voter registration records marked inactive or  
25 canceled pursuant to sections 48A.28 through 48A.30. The state  
26 registrar of voters shall publish such reports on the internet  
27 site of the state registrar of voters.

28 2. The state registrar of voters shall determine by rule the  
29 form and submission deadline of reports submitted pursuant to  
30 subsection 1.

31 EXPLANATION

32 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
33 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

34 This bill relates to the conduct of elections.

35 DIVISION I — PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS. This

1 division of the bill relates to the process for amending the  
2 Iowa constitution. The bill requires the commissioner of  
3 elections to summarize proposed constitutional amendments and  
4 public measures and to post the full text of such proposed  
5 constitutional amendments and public measures within voting  
6 booths. Current law allows the commissioner of elections  
7 to summarize proposed constitutional amendments and public  
8 measures.

9 DIVISION II — ISSUANCE OF BONDS. This division of the bill  
10 relates to the issuance of bonds. The bill requires a public  
11 measure to approve the issuance of bonds to include on the  
12 ballot the current property tax levy, the term of the bond,  
13 and the average increase or decrease in the amount of property  
14 tax due on an average home in each county voting on the bond,  
15 as well as the average of such averages, according to data  
16 provided by the United States census bureau.

17 DIVISION III — SELF-PROMOTION WITH TAXPAYER FUNDS. This  
18 division of the bill relates to the prohibition on using  
19 taxpayer funds for self-promotion. The bill defines "direct  
20 mass mailing" for the purposes of the prohibition as a mailing  
21 the purpose of which is to promote a person or idea sent by a  
22 statewide elected official that is delivered by a mail service,  
23 sent to more than two hundred addresses, is substantially  
24 similar as regards each mailing, and all of which mailings are  
25 sent at the same time or within 30 days of each other.

26 DIVISION IV — MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS. This division of  
27 the bill relates to various changes to the Code.

28 The bill changes the rate of compensation for presidential  
29 electors from \$5 per day to one-half of the per diem rate set by  
30 the federal general services administration.

31 The bill changes the time at which the senate shall organize  
32 as a court of impeachment from forthwith after the hour of  
33 final adjournment to as soon as practicable. The bill also  
34 changes the rate of compensation for members serving on a court  
35 of impeachment to the same rate as for members serving in a

1 special session of the general assembly if the general assembly  
2 is not in regular session. If the general assembly is in  
3 regular session, the bill provides that members shall receive  
4 no additional compensation.

5 DIVISION V — CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS. This division of the  
6 bill relates to the conduct of elections.

7 The bill provides that a person who holds an elective office  
8 and wins an election for a second office shall automatically  
9 vacate the first office if the person does not vacate one of  
10 the offices.

11 The bill alters the deadlines for filing a nomination  
12 petition, withdrawing a nomination, and filling a ballot  
13 vacancy. If a vacancy occurs on a ballot due to the death of a  
14 candidate after the date for filling a vacancy until the time  
15 the polls close on election day, the election for that office  
16 shall not be canvassed and the office shall be filled by a  
17 special election.

18 The bill changes the filing deadline for nomination papers  
19 of persons seeking to be a nonparty political organization's  
20 candidate for elected office. The bill changes the deadlines  
21 for filing nomination papers and objections to the same  
22 deadline that is applied to persons seeking to be a political  
23 party's candidate for elected office.

24 The bill makes technical changes to the provisions of law  
25 governing the content of notices of elections.

26 The bill alters the number of signatures required for a  
27 person to obtain a nomination by petition.

28 The bill moves the voter registration deadline for all  
29 elections other than general elections from 11 days before an  
30 election to 10 days before an election. The voter registration  
31 deadline for general elections is currently 10 days before  
32 the election. The bill does not affect election day voter  
33 registration.

34 The bill allows the state commissioner of elections to  
35 oversee the activities of county commissioners of elections

1 during a period beginning 60 days prior to an election and  
2 ending 60 days after an election.

3 The bill changes the circumstances under which and places at  
4 which a county commissioner of elections may create a satellite  
5 voting location.

6 The bill changes the closing time for polling places for  
7 state primary and general elections, and other partisan  
8 elections, and any other election held concurrently therewith,  
9 from 9:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The bill requires that the opening  
10 and closing times for polling places be placed on the internet  
11 site of the legislative services agency, voter identification  
12 cards, and property tax statements.

13 The bill reduces the number of hours an employee must have  
14 available away from work during the time polls are open on  
15 election day from three hours to two hours.

16 The bill requires the state commissioner of elections  
17 to transmit a certified copy of a constitutional amendment  
18 or public measure and a sample ballot to each county  
19 commissioner of elections 63 days before an election at which a  
20 constitutional amendment or public measure is to be submitted  
21 to a vote of the entire people of the state. Current law  
22 requires such certified copies and sample ballots to be sent 69  
23 days before the election.

24 The bill requires any election other than a presidential  
25 election or an election for a nonpartisan office that results  
26 in a tie to go to a special election. A tied election for  
27 president shall result in the electors being split between the  
28 candidates.

29 The bill allows a candidate requesting a recount to request  
30 the presence of a county commissioner of elections from another  
31 county at the recount. Such a commissioner may report any  
32 irregularities observed by the commissioner at any time after  
33 the election to the state commissioner of elections.

34 The bill requires a recount for an election other than a  
35 statewide election to include all precincts in which a ballot

1 for the contested election was cast.

2 The bill grants local law enforcement agencies and the state  
3 patrol the authority to take all reasonable actions to prevent  
4 violations of Code chapter 50 (canvass of votes).

5 The bill makes technical changes to the Code section  
6 controlling absentee ballot request forms.

7 The bill requires a county commissioner of elections who  
8 receives an incomplete absentee ballot request to inform  
9 the applicant within 24 hours of receipt of the request  
10 by telephone or electronic mail if such information was  
11 provided, and by mail if such information was not provided.  
12 The bill prohibits a county commissioner of elections from  
13 using the voter registration system to obtain additional  
14 necessary information. The bill allows a county commissioner  
15 of elections to verify the identity of an applicant for  
16 an absentee ballot who cannot access the applicant's voter  
17 verification number by asking for at least two of the following  
18 from the applicant: date of birth, the last four digits of  
19 the applicant's social security number, residential address,  
20 mailing address, and middle name.

21 The bill requires a county commissioner of elections to  
22 verify the identity of a person voting absentee in person in  
23 the same manner as a poll worker verifying the identity of a  
24 person voting at the polls on election day.

25 The bill allows an unregistered person seeking to vote  
26 absentee at the office of a county commissioner of elections  
27 prior to the voter registration deadline who does not have an  
28 Iowa driver's license, nonoperator's identification card, or  
29 voter identification number to vote absentee by satisfying the  
30 voter identification requirements of Code section 49.78.

31 The bill changes the process by which absentee ballots  
32 lacking a signature are verified. If such a ballot is received  
33 by 5:00 p.m. on the Saturday before a general election or by  
34 5:00 p.m. on the Friday before any other election, the county  
35 commissioner of elections must contact the voter within 24

1 hours and inform the voter how to remediate the ballot. A  
2 ballot received after the applicable deadline is sent to the  
3 absentee and special voters precinct board for review. If the  
4 absentee and special voters precinct board determines that the  
5 affidavit is incomplete, the commissioner shall inform the  
6 voter within 24 hours how the ballot may be remediated if the  
7 ballot lacks a signature.

8 The bill alters the timeline for contesting a gubernatorial  
9 election and the makeup of a contest court for such a  
10 challenge.

11 The bill allows certain abbreviations to be used in  
12 attribution statements attached to political communications  
13 sent by text message.

14 The bill prohibits a person from placing on any published  
15 material a name or abbreviation of a name intended to cause a  
16 voter to believe that the person represents a political party  
17 or nonparty political organization of which the person is not a  
18 candidate. A willful violation of the prohibition is a serious  
19 misdemeanor.

20 The bill alters the timeline for holding a special election  
21 to fill a vacant office and prohibits a person who has ever  
22 been removed from office from being appointed to fill a  
23 vacancy.

24 The division includes effective date provisions.

25 DIVISION VI — VOTER REGISTRATION. This division of the bill  
26 relates to voter registration.

27 The bill alters the process for removing inactive voter  
28 registration records. The bill requires the state registrar  
29 of voters to use information from the electronic registration  
30 information center to update the statewide voter registration  
31 database. The bill changes the deadline for returning a  
32 notification that a person no longer lives in a given county  
33 to 11 days before an election. The bill requires voter  
34 identification cards and acknowledgments of registration to  
35 include the times polls will be open.

1     The bill requires each county commissioner of registration  
2 to submit a report on voter list maintenance activities  
3 annually to the state registrar of voters. The state registrar  
4 of voters shall publish such reports on the internet site of  
5 the state registrar of voters.