

**50.50 Administrative recounts.**

1. The commissioner who was responsible for conducting an election may request an administrative recount when the commissioner suspects that voting equipment used in the election malfunctioned or that programming errors may have affected the outcome of the election, or if the precinct election officials report counting errors to the commissioner after the conclusion of the canvass of votes in the precinct. An administrative recount shall be conducted by the board of the special precinct established by [section 53.23](#). Bond shall not be required for an administrative recount. The state commissioner may adopt rules for administrative recounts.

2. If the recount board finds that there is an error in the programming of any voting equipment which may have affected the outcome of the election for any office or public measure on the ballot, the recount board shall describe the errors in its report to the commissioner. The commissioner shall notify the board of supervisors. The supervisors shall determine whether to order an administrative recount for any or all of the offices and public measures on the ballot.

[97 Acts, ch 170, §59](#); [2002 Acts, ch 1134, §49, 115](#)

Referred to in [§50.12, 50.51](#)