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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	_____	(Y/N)
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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Public Integrity & Ethics
 2 Committee

3 Representative Thompson offered the following:

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5 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Between lines 1136 and 1137, insert:

7 Section 22. Section 101.697, Florida Statutes, is amended
 8 to read:

9 101.697 Electronic transmission of election materials.—

10 (1) The Department of State shall determine whether secure
 11 electronic means can be established for receiving ballots from
 12 overseas voters. If such security can be established, the
 13 department shall adopt rules to authorize a supervisor of
 14 elections to accept from an overseas voter a request for a vote-
 15 by-mail ballot or a voted vote-by-mail ballot by secure
 16 facsimile machine transmission or other secure electronic means.

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17 The rules must provide that in order to accept a voted ballot,
18 the verification of the voter must be established, the security
19 of the transmission must be established, and each ballot
20 received must be recorded.

21 (2) The Department of State shall determine whether secure
22 electronic means can be established for receiving ballots from
23 voters for good cause, including during or immediately after an
24 emergency as defined in s. 101.732. If such security can be
25 established, the department shall adopt rules to authorize a
26 supervisor of elections to accept from a voter a voted ballot by
27 secure facsimile machine transmission or other secure electronic
28 means. The rules must provide that in order to accept a voted
29 ballot, the verification of the voter must be established, the
30 security of the transmission must be established, and each
31 ballot received must be recorded. Such a ballot may not be
32 accepted by a supervisor of elections except upon a
33 determination of good cause by the department.

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37 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

38 Remove line 73 and insert:

39 Code; amending s. 101.697, F.S.; providing that the
40 Department of State shall, if secure electronic means
41 can be established, adopt rules to authorize a

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42 supervisor of elections to accept a voted ballot by
43 secure electronic means upon a determination of good
44 cause; providing an effective date.