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Senator Fasano moved the following:

Senate Amendment to Amendment (710974) (with title amendment)

Delete lines 64 - 164

5 and insert:

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6 challenge of any person's right to vote commits a misdemeanor of 7 the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 8 775.083; however, electors or poll watchers shall not be subject 9 to liability for any action taken in good faith and in 10 furtherance of any activity or duty permitted of such electors 11 or poll watchers by law. Each instance where any elector or poll watcher files a frivolous challenge of any person's right to 12 vote constitutes a separate offense. 13

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Section 5. Subsection (3) of section 101.56075, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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101.56075 Voting methods.-

(3) By <u>2016</u> 2012, persons with disabilities shall vote on a voter interface device that meets the voter accessibility requirements for individuals with disabilities under s. 301 of the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 and s. 101.56062 which are consistent with subsection (1) of this section.

22 Section 6. Subsections (2) and (5) of section 101.5612, 23 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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101.5612 Testing of tabulating equipment.-

25 (2) On any day not more than 10 days prior to the commencement of early voting as provided in s. 101.657, the 26 27 supervisor of elections shall have the automatic tabulating equipment publicly tested to ascertain that the equipment will 28 29 correctly count the votes cast for all offices and on all 30 measures. If the ballots to be used at the polling place on election day are not available at the time of the testing, the 31 32 supervisor may conduct an additional test not more than 10 days 33 before election day. Public notice of the time and place of the 34 test shall be given at least 48 hours prior thereto by publication on the supervisor of elections' website and once in 35 one or more newspapers of general circulation in the county or, 36 37 if there is no newspaper of general circulation in the county, 38 by posting the notice in at least four conspicuous places in the county. The supervisor or the municipal elections official may, 39 40 at the time of qualifying, give written notice of the time and location of the public preelection test to each candidate 41 42 qualifying with that office and obtain a signed receipt that the

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43 notice has been given. The Department of State shall give written notice to each statewide candidate at the time of 44 45 qualifying, or immediately at the end of qualifying, that the 46 voting equipment will be tested and advise each candidate to 47 contact the county supervisor of elections as to the time and location of the public preelection test. The supervisor or the 48 municipal elections official shall, at least 15 days prior to 49 the commencement of early voting as provided in s. 101.657, send 50 51 written notice by certified mail to the county party chair of 52 each political party and to all candidates for other than 53 statewide office whose names appear on the ballot in the county 54 and who did not receive written notification from the supervisor 55 or municipal elections official at the time of qualifying, 56 stating the time and location of the public preelection test of 57 the automatic tabulating equipment. The canvassing board shall 58 convene, and each member of the canvassing board shall certify 59 to the accuracy of the test. For the test, the canvassing board may designate one member to represent it. The test shall be open 60 to representatives of the political parties, the press, and the 61 62 public. Each political party may designate one person with 63 expertise in the computer field who shall be allowed in the 64 central counting room when all tests are being conducted and 65 when the official votes are being counted. The designee shall 66 not interfere with the normal operation of the canvassing board.

(5) Any tests involving marksense ballots pursuant to this
section shall employ test preprinted ballots created by the
supervisor of elections using actual ballots that have been
printed for the election., If preprinted ballots will be used in
the election, and ballot-on-demand ballots will be used in the

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72 <u>election, the supervisor shall also create test ballots using</u> 73 <u>the</u>, if ballot-on-demand technology <u>that</u> will be used to produce 74 ballots in the election, <u>using the same paper stock as will be</u> 75 <u>used for ballots in the election</u> or both.

76Section 7. Subsections (1), (3), (4), and (5) of section77101.62, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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101.62 Request for absentee ballots.-

79 (1) (a) The supervisor shall may accept a request for an 80 absentee ballot from an elector in person or in writing. Except 81 as provided in s. 101.694, One request shall be deemed 82 sufficient to receive an absentee ballot for all elections 83 through the next two regularly scheduled general election elections, unless the elector or the elector's designee 84 85 indicates at the time the request is made the elections for which the elector desires to receive an absentee ballot. Such 86 87 request may be considered canceled when any first-class mail sent by the supervisor to the elector is returned as 88 89 undeliverable.

90 (b) The supervisor may accept a written or telephonic 91 request for an absentee ballot from the elector, or, if directly 92 instructed by the elector, a member of the elector's immediate 93 family, or the elector's legal guardian. For purposes of this 94 section, the term "immediate family" has the same meaning as 95 specified in paragraph (4) (b). The person making the request 96 must disclose:

97 1. The name of the elector for whom the ballot is
98 requested.;

- 99 2. The elector's address.+
- 100 3. The elector's date of birth.+

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101	4. The requester's name <u>.</u> +
102	5. The requester's address. $\dot{\cdot}$
103	6. The requester's driver's license number, if available;
104	7. The requester's relationship to the elector; and
105	8. The requester's signature (written requests only).
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108	And the title is amended as follows:
109	Delete lines 506 - 507
110	and insert:
111	a provisional ballot; amending s.