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Senator Mayfield moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

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and insert:

Section 8. Subsection (3) of section 101.131, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

101.131 Watchers at polls.-

(3) Any elected official, No candidate, or sheriff, deputy sheriff, police officer, or other law enforcement officer may not be designated as a poll watcher.

Section 9. Subsection (10) is added to section 101.151,



Florida Statutes, to read:

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101.151 Specifications for ballots.-

(10) With respect to any certified voting system that uses a voter interface device to designate the elector's ballot selections on a printed sheet of paper, this section, s. 101.161, and ss. 101.2512-101.254 that prescribe the ballot layout apply only to the display of candidates and issues on the voter interface device.

Section 10. Subsection (2) of section 101.20, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

101.20 Publication of ballot form; sample ballots.-

(2) Upon completion of the list of qualified candidates and before the day of an election, a sample ballot shall be published by the supervisor of elections in a newspaper of general circulation in the county unless the supervisor mails a sample ballot to each registered elector or to each household in which there is a registered elector at least 7 days, before the day of an election. A supervisor may send a sample ballot to each registered elector by e-mail at least 7 days before the day of an election if an e-mail address has been provided and the elector has opted to receive a sample ballot by electronic delivery. If an e-mail address has not been provided, or if the elector has not opted for electronic delivery, a sample ballot may be mailed to each registered elector or to each household in which there is a registered elector at least 7 days before an election.

Section 11. Subsection (5) of section 101.5603, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

101.5603 Definitions relating to Electronic Voting Systems



Act.—As used in this act, the term:

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(5) "Marking device" means any approved device for marking a ballot with ink or other substance, including through a voter interface device, which will enable the ballot to be tabulated by means of automatic tabulating equipment.

Section 12. Subsection (1) of section 101.56075, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

101.56075 Voting methods.

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2), all voting shall be by marksense ballot using utilizing a marking device for the purpose of designating ballot selections.

Section 13. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section 105.031, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

105.031 Qualification; filing fee; candidate's oath; items required to be filed.-

- (5) ITEMS REQUIRED TO BE FILED.-
- (a) In order for a candidate for judicial office or the office of school board member to be qualified, the following items must be received by the filing officer by the end of the qualifying period:
- 1. Except for candidates for retention to judicial office, a properly executed check or certified check drawn upon the candidate's campaign account in an amount not less than the fee required by subsection (3) or, in lieu thereof, the copy of the notice of obtaining ballot position pursuant to s. 105.035. If a candidate's check is returned by the bank for any reason, the filing officer shall immediately notify the candidate and the candidate shall, the end of qualifying notwithstanding, have 48 hours from the time such notification is received, excluding



Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, to pay the fee with a cashier's check purchased from funds of the campaign account. Failure to pay the fee as provided in this subparagraph shall disqualify the candidate.

- 2. The candidate's oath required by subsection (4), which must contain the name of the candidate as it is to appear on the ballot; the office sought, including the district or group number if applicable; and the signature of the candidate, duly acknowledged.
- 3. The loyalty oath required by s. 876.05, signed by the candidate and duly acknowledged.
- 4. The completed form for the appointment of campaign treasurer and designation of campaign depository, as required by s. 106.021. In addition, each candidate for judicial office, including an incumbent judge, shall file a statement with the qualifying officer, within 10 days after filing the appointment of campaign treasurer and designation of campaign depository, stating that the candidate has read and understands the requirements of the Florida Code of Judicial Conduct. Such statement shall be in substantially the following form:

90 Statement of Candidate for Judicial Office 91

92 I, ... (name of candidate) ..., a judicial candidate, have 93 94

received, read, and understand the requirements of the Florida Code of Judicial Conduct.

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5. The full and public disclosure of financial interests required by s. 8, Art. II of the State Constitution or the statement of financial interests required by s. 112.3145, whichever is applicable. A public officer who has filed the full and public disclosure or statement of financial interests with the Commission on Ethics or the supervisor of elections prior to qualifying for office may file a copy of that disclosure at the time of qualifying.

Section 14. Subsection (2) of section 121.121, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

121.121 Authorized leaves of absence.-

(2) A member who is required to resign his or her office as a subordinate officer, deputy sheriff, or police officer because he or she is a candidate for a public office which is currently held by his or her superior officer who is also a candidate for reelection to the same office, in accordance with s. 99.012(5) 99.012(4), shall, upon return to covered employment, be eliqible to purchase retirement credit for the period between his or her date of resignation and the beginning of the term of office for which he or she was a candidate as a leave of absence without pay, as provided in subsection (1).

Section 15. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.

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And the title is amended as follows: 123

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125 and insert:

the polls except under certain circumstances; amending

s. 101.131, F.S.; prohibiting an elected official from

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being designated as a poll watcher; amending s. 101.151, F.S.; providing applicability of specified ballot requirements to a voter interface device; amending s. 101.20, F.S.; providing an exception to the requirement that a sample ballot be published by the supervisor of elections in a newspaper of general circulation in the county; amending ss. 101.5603 and 101.56075, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 105.031, F.S.; providing an additional means by which certain nonpartisan candidates may pay their qualification fees; amending s. 121.121, F.S.; revising a cross-reference to conform to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.