The Committee on Rules (Brandes) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (t) of subsection (2) of section 97.052, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

97.052 Uniform statewide voter registration application.—

(2) The uniform statewide voter registration application must be designed to elicit the following information from the applicant:

(t) Whether the applicant has never been convicted of a
felony and, if convicted, has had his or her voting rights restored by including the statement “I affirm I have never been convicted of a felony or, if I have been, my rights relating to voting have been restored.” and providing a box for the applicant to check to affirm the statement.

2. Whether the applicant has been convicted of a felony, and if convicted, has had his or her civil rights restored through executive clemency, by including the statement “If I have been convicted of a felony, I affirm my voting rights have been restored by the Board of Executive Clemency.” and providing a box for the applicant to check to affirm the statement.

3. Whether the applicant has been convicted of a felony and, if convicted, has had his or her voting rights restored pursuant s. 4, Art. VI of the State Constitution, by including the statement “If I have been convicted of a felony, I affirm my voting rights have been restored pursuant to s. 4, Art. VI of the State Constitution upon the completion of all terms of my sentence, including parole or probation.” and providing a box for the applicant to check to affirm the statement.

Section 2. Effective July 1, 2022, section 97.0525, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

97.0525 Online voter registration.—

(1) Beginning October 1, 2017, An applicant may submit an online voter registration application using the procedures set forth in this section.

(2) The division shall establish and maintain a secure Internet website that safeguards an applicant’s information to ensure data integrity and permits an applicant to:

(a) Submit a voter registration application, including
first-time voter registration applications and updates to current voter registration records.

(b) Submit information necessary to establish an applicant’s eligibility to vote, pursuant to s. 97.041, which includes the information required for the uniform statewide voter registration application pursuant to s. 97.052(2).

(c) Swear to the oath required pursuant to s. 97.051.

(3)(a) The online voter registration system must shall comply with the information technology security provisions of s. 282.318 and must shall use a unique identifier for each applicant to prevent unauthorized persons from altering a voter’s registration information. For an applicant to update his or her voter registration record, he or she must provide his or her date of birth and either his or her Florida driver license number or the identification number from a Florida identification card issued under s. 322.051 or the last four digits of the his or her social security number if the applicant has not been issued a Florida driver license or identification card.

(b) The division shall conduct a comprehensive risk assessment of the online voter registration system before making the system publicly available and every 2 years thereafter. The comprehensive risk assessment must comply with the risk assessment methodology developed by the Department of Management Services for identifying security risks, determining the magnitude of such risks, and identifying areas that require safeguards. In addition, the comprehensive risk assessment must incorporate all of the following:

1. Load testing and stress testing to ensure that the
online voter registration system has sufficient capacity to accommodate foreseeable use, including during periods of high volume of website users in the week immediately preceding the book-closing deadline for an election.

2. Screening of computers and networks used to support the online voter registration system for malware and other vulnerabilities.

3. Evaluation of database infrastructure, including software and operating systems, in order to fortify defenses against cyberattacks.

4. Identification of any anticipated threats to the security and integrity of data collected, maintained, received, or transmitted by the online voter registration system.

(4)(a) In order to submit a voter registration application through the online voter registration system, an applicant must provide his or her Florida driver license number or the identification number from a Florida identification card issued under s. 322.051; or if an applicant has not been issued a Florida driver license or Florida identification card, he or she must provide the last four digits of the applicant’s social security number.

(b)1. If the applicant has submitted his or her Florida driver license number or the identification number from a Florida identification card with a voter registration application, the online voter registration system shall compare the Florida driver license number or Florida identification number submitted pursuant to s. 97.052(2)(n) with information maintained by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to confirm that the name and date of birth on the
application are consistent with the records of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

2. (b) If the applicant’s name and date of birth are consistent with the records of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the online voter registration system shall transmit, using the statewide voter registration system maintained pursuant to s. 98.035, the applicant’s registration application, along with the digital signature of the applicant on file with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, to the supervisor of elections. The applicant’s digital signature satisfies the signature requirement of s. 97.052(2)(q).

(c) 1. If the applicant has submitted the last four digits of his or her social security number, the online voter registration system must verify the last four digits of the social security number in accordance with s. 97.053(6). The applicant must also provide an electronic image of his or her signature. The division shall adopt rules to authorize a secure method for an applicant to upload or otherwise provide a high-quality electronic image of his or her signature through the online voter registration system.

2. If the last four digits of the applicant’s social security number are verified pursuant to s. 97.053(6), the online voter registration system shall transmit, using the statewide voter registration system maintained pursuant to s. 98.035, the applicant’s registration application, along with the electronic image of the applicant’s signature provided pursuant to subparagraph 1., to the supervisor of elections. The electronic image of the applicant’s signature satisfies the
signature requirement of s. 97.052(2)(q).

(d) If the applicant’s name and date of birth cannot be verified by the records of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, or if the last four digits of the applicant’s social security number cannot be verified applicant indicated that he or she has not been issued a Florida driver license or Florida identification card, the online voter registration system shall populate the applicant’s information into a printable voter registration application pursuant to s. 97.052(2) and direct the applicant to print, sign, and date the application and deliver the application to the supervisor of elections for disposition pursuant to s. 97.073.

(5) Upon submission of a completed online voter registration application, the website must generate an immediate electronic confirmation that the supervisor of elections has received the application and provide instructions regarding the ability of a registrant to check the status of the application thereafter.

(6) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the supervisor of elections shall process the application pursuant to s. 97.053.

(7) The division shall develop an application programming interface that allows approved and registered third-party voter registration organizations to securely collect and submit voter registration applications electronically through the organization’s application or website.

(8) The online voter registration system must conform to nationally accepted standards for accessibility for individuals with disabilities, including s. 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of

(9)(e) A legal distinction may not be made between online voter registration under this section and voter registration in person, by mail, or by other methods provided by general law.

Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section 97.053, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

97.053 Acceptance of voter registration applications.—

(5)(a) A voter registration application is complete if it contains the following information necessary to establish the applicant’s eligibility pursuant to s. 97.041, including:

1. The applicant’s name.
2. The applicant’s address of legal residence, including a distinguishing apartment, suite, lot, room, or dormitory room number or other identifier, if appropriate. Failure to include a distinguishing apartment, suite, lot, room, or dormitory room or other identifier on a voter registration application does not impact a voter’s eligibility to register to vote or cast a ballot, and such an omission may not serve as the basis for a challenge to a voter’s eligibility or reason to not count a ballot.
3. The applicant’s date of birth.
4. A mark in the checkbox affirming that the applicant is a citizen of the United States.
5.a. The applicant’s current and valid Florida driver license number or the identification number from a Florida identification card issued under s. 322.051, or
   b. If the applicant has not been issued a current and valid
Florida driver license or a Florida identification card, the last four digits of the applicant’s social security number.

In case an applicant has not been issued a current and valid Florida driver license, Florida identification card, or social security number, the applicant shall affirm this fact in the manner prescribed in the uniform statewide voter registration application.

6. A mark in the applicable checkbox affirming that the applicant has not been convicted of a felony or that, if convicted, has had his or her civil rights restored through executive clemency, or has had his or her voting rights restored pursuant to s. 4, Art. VI of the State Constitution.

7. A mark in the checkbox affirming that the applicant has not been adjudicated mentally incapacitated with respect to voting or that, if so adjudicated, has had his or her right to vote restored.

8. The original signature, an electronic image of a signature transmitted pursuant to s. 97.0525(4)(c), or a digital signature transmitted by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles of the applicant swearing or affirming under the penalty for false swearing pursuant to s. 104.011 that the information contained in the registration application is true and subscribing to the oath required by s. 3, Art. VI of the State Constitution and s. 97.051.

Section 4. Effective July 1, 2022, present subsections (4) through (12) of section 97.057, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (5) through (13), respectively, a new subsection (4) and subsection (14) are added to that
section, and subsections (1) and (2) of that section are amended, to read:

97.057 Voter registration by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.—

(1) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall provide the opportunity to register to vote or to update a voter registration record to each individual who is not registered to vote in this state who comes to an office of that department to:

(a) Apply for or renew a driver license;

(b) Apply for or renew an identification card pursuant to chapter 322; or

(c) Change an address on an existing driver license or identification card.

(2) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall:

(a) Notify each individual subject to subsection (1), orally or in writing, that:

1. Information gathered for the completion of a driver license or identification card application, renewal, or change of address can be automatically transferred to a voter registration application;

2. If additional information and a signature are provided, the voter registration application will be completed and sent to the proper election authority;

3. Information provided can also be used to update a voter registration record;

4. All declinations will remain confidential and may be used only for voter registration purposes; and
4.5. The particular driver license office in which the person applies to register to vote or update a voter registration record will remain confidential and may be used only for voter registration purposes.

(b) Require a driver license examiner to inquire orally or, if the applicant is hearing impaired, inquire in writing whether the applicant wishes to register to vote or update a voter registration record during the completion of a driver license or identification card application, renewal, or change of address.

1. If the applicant chooses to register to vote or to update a voter registration record:
   a. All applicable information received by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles in the course of filling out the forms necessary under subsection (1) must be transferred to a voter registration application.
   b. The additional necessary information must be obtained by the driver license examiner and must not duplicate any information already obtained while completing the forms required under subsection (1).
   c. A voter registration application with all of the applicant’s voter registration information required to establish the applicant’s eligibility pursuant to s. 97.041 must be presented to the applicant to review and verify the voter registration information received and provide an electronic signature affirming the accuracy of the information provided.

2. If the applicant declines to register to vote, update the applicant’s voter registration record, or change the applicant’s address by either orally declining or by failing to sign the voter registration application, the Department of
Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles must note such declination on its records and shall forward the declination to the statewide voter registration system.

(4) If a registered or preregistered voter submits a change of address to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, or supplies an address of legal residence as part of a driver license or identification card application or renewal which differs from the address in the person’s voter registration record, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles must electronically transmit within 24 hours after receipt the information necessary to update the person’s voter registration record to the statewide voter registration system. The person’s voter registration shall be updated in accordance with s. 98.065(4)(a).

(14) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and the Department of State shall prescribe a method by which a driver license office, upon obtaining a person’s full name, date of birth, driver license or state identification number, address of legal residence, and mailing address if different from the address of legal residence, may immediately use the information in the statewide voter registration system to determine whether the person is registered or preregistered to vote in this state and, if so, whether the person is registered or preregistered at the address of legal residence the person provided to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

Section 5. Effective July 1, 2022, present subsections (3) through (7) of section 97.0575, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (4) through (8), respectively, a new subsection (3) is added to that section, and paragraph (b) of
present subsection (3) of that section is amended, to read:

97.0575 Third-party voter registrations.—

(3) Upon application by a registered third-party voter registration organization and approval by the Secretary of State, a third-party voter registration organization may use the application programming interface established pursuant to s. 97.0525(7) to securely collect and submit voter registration applications electronically through the organization’s application or website. The division shall adopt rules governing testing requirements and security standards for application programming interfaces. A third-party voter registration organization’s application or website may not be denied so long as it satisfies all testing requirements and security standards prescribed by rule.

(4) (3)

(b) A showing by the third-party voter registration organization that the failure to deliver the voter registration application within the required timeframe is based upon force majeure, a network outage, or impossibility of performance shall be an affirmative defense to a violation of this subsection. The secretary may waive the fines described in this subsection upon a showing that the failure to deliver the voter registration application promptly is based upon force majeure, a network outage, or impossibility of performance.

Section 6. Paragraphs (d), (e), and (f) of subsection (1) of section 97.0585, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

97.0585 Public records exemption; information regarding voters and voter registration; confidentiality.—

(1) The following information held by an agency, as defined
in s. 119.011, and obtained for the purpose of voter registration is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution and may be used only for purposes of voter registration:

(d) Information related to a voter registration applicant’s or voter’s prior felony conviction and whether such person has had his or her voting rights restored by the Board of Executive Clemency or pursuant to s. 4, Art. VI of the State Constitution.

(e) All information concerning preregistered voter registration applicants who are 16 or 17 years of age.

(f) Paragraph (d) is Paragraphs (d) and (e) are subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2024, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

Section 7. Effective July 1, 2022, paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 97.1031, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

97.1031 Notice of change of residence, change of name, or change of party affiliation.—

(1)(a) Not including changes of address processed by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles as provided in s. 97.057(4) when an elector changes his or her residence address, the elector must notify the supervisor of elections when changing his or her residence address. Except as provided in paragraph (b) and s. 97.057(4), an address change must be submitted using a voter registration application.

Section 8. Effective July 1, 2022, paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section 98.045, Florida Statutes, is amended
to read:

98.045 Administration of voter registration.—

(4) STATEWIDE ELECTRONIC DATABASE OF VALID RESIDENTIAL STREET ADDRESSES.—

(b) The department shall make the statewide database of valid street addresses available to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles as provided in s. 97.057(11) or 97.057(10). The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall use the database for purposes of validating the legal residential addresses provided in voter registration applications received by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

Section 9. Effective July 1, 2022, paragraph (a) of subsection (4) and subsection (5) of section 98.065, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

98.065 Registration list maintenance programs.—

(4)(a) If the supervisor receives change-of-address information pursuant to the activities conducted in subsection (2), from jury notices signed by the voter and returned to the courts, from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles pursuant to s. 97.057(4), or from other sources which indicates that a registered voter’s legal residence might have changed to another location within the state, the supervisor must change the registration records to reflect the new address and must send the voter an address change notice as provided in s. 98.0655(2).

(5) Not including address changes processed in accordance with s. 97.057(4), a notice may not be issued pursuant to this section and a voter’s name may not be removed from the statewide
voter registration system later than 90 days before the date of a federal election. However, this section does not preclude the removal of the name of a voter from the statewide voter registration system at any time upon the voter’s written request, by reason of the voter’s death, or upon a determination of the voter’s ineligibility as provided in s. 98.075(7).

Section 10. Effective July 1, 2022, subsection (2) of section 98.0655, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

98.0655 Registration list maintenance forms.—The department shall prescribe registration list maintenance forms to be used by the supervisors which must include:

(2) An address change notice that must be sent to the newly recorded address of legal residence by forwardable mail, including a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form with which the voter may verify or correct the voter’s new address information. If the voter returns the address change notice and indicates that the newly recorded address of legal residence is incorrect, the supervisor must correct the voter’s address information in his or her voter registration record to reflect the correct address of legal residence.

Section 11. Present subsections (4) and (5) of section 98.0981, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (5) and (6), respectively, and paragraph (d) is added to subsection (2) and a new subsection (4) is added to that section, to read:

98.0981 Reports; voting history; statewide voter registration system information; precinct-level election results; book closing statistics; live turnout data.—

(2) PRECINCT-LEVEL ELECTION RESULTS.—

(d) Supervisors of elections shall publish the precinct-
level election results compiled pursuant to this subsection on
their respective websites as the data becomes available.
Supervisors must post the unofficial precinct-level results
until the certified results are available. The webpage including
the data must include a clear and conspicuous disclaimer in bold
type stating at what time the precinct-level data was aggregated
and that the data is subject to change.

(4) LIVE TURNOUT DATA.—Supervisors of elections shall make
live voter turnout data on election day, updated in real time,
available on their respective websites. The supervisors shall
transmit the live turnout data to the division, which must
create and maintain a real-time statewide turnout dashboard that
is available for viewing by the public on its website as the
data becomes available.

Section 12. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (1) of
section 101.043, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

101.043 Identification required at polls.—

(1)

(b) If the picture identification does not contain the
signature of the elector, an additional identification that
provides the elector’s signature shall be required. The address
appearing on the identification presented by the elector may not
be used as the basis to confirm an elector’s legal residence or
otherwise challenge an elector’s legal residence. The elector
shall sign his or her name in the space provided on the precinct
register or on an electronic device provided for recording the
elector’s signature. The clerk or inspector shall compare the
signature with that on the identification provided by the
elector and enter his or her initials in the space provided on
the precinct register or on an electronic device provided for
that purpose and allow the elector to vote if the clerk or
inspector is satisfied as to the identity of the elector.

(c) When an elector presents his or her picture
identification to the clerk or inspector and the elector’s
address on the picture identification matches the elector’s
address in the supervisor’s records, the elector may not be
asked to provide additional information or to recite his or her
home address.

Section 13. Subsections (2) and (5) of section 101.051,
Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

101.051 Electors seeking assistance in casting ballots;
oath to be executed; forms to be furnished.—

(2) It is unlawful for any person to be in the voting booth
with any elector except as provided in subsection (1). A person
at a polling place or an early voting site, or within 100
feet of the entrance of a polling place or an early voting site,
may not solicit any elector in an effort to provide assistance
to vote pursuant to subsection (1). Any person who violates this
subsection commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable
as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

(5) If an elector needing assistance requests that a person
other than an election official provide him or her with
assistance in voting, the clerk or one of the inspectors shall
require the person providing assistance to take the following
oath:

DECLARATION TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE
State of Florida
County of ....
Date ....
Precinct ....

I, ...(Print name)...., have been requested by ...(print name of elector needing assistance).... to provide him or her with assistance to vote. I swear or affirm that I am not the employer, an agent of the employer, or an officer or agent of the union of the voter and that I have not solicited this voter at the polling place or early voting site or within 150 feet of such locations in an effort to provide assistance.

...(Signature of assistor)...

Sworn and subscribed to before me this .... day of ...., ...(year)....

...(Signature of Official Administering Oath)...

Section 14. Subsections (1), (2), and (5) of section 101.131, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

101.131 Watchers at polls.—

(1) Each political party and each candidate may have one watcher in each polling room or early voting area at any one time during the election. A political committee formed for the specific purpose of expressly advocating the passage or defeat of an issue on the ballot may have one watcher for each polling room or early voting area at any one time during the election. A
No watcher may not shall be permitted to come closer to the officials’ table or the voting booths than is reasonably necessary to properly perform his or her functions, but each shall be allowed within the polling room or early voting area to watch and observe the conduct of electors and officials. The poll watchers shall furnish their own materials and necessities and may shall not obstruct the orderly conduct of any election. The poll watchers shall pose any questions regarding polling place procedures directly to the clerk for resolution. They may not interact with voters in the polling place, polling room, early voting area, or no-solicitation zone prescribed in s. 102.031. Each poll watcher must either shall be a qualified and registered elector of the county in which he or she serves or a member in good standing of The Florida Bar and a qualified and registered elector of this state.

(2) Each party, each political committee, and each candidate requesting to have poll watchers shall designate, in writing to the supervisors of elections, on a form prescribed by the division, before noon of the second Tuesday preceding the election poll watchers for each polling room on election day. Designations of poll watchers for early voting areas must shall be submitted in writing to the supervisor of elections, on a form prescribed by the division, before noon at least 14 days before early voting begins. If the deadline for submitting the designation form falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, the form must be submitted before noon on the next business day. The poll watchers for polling rooms must shall be approved by the supervisor of elections on or before the Tuesday before the election. Poll watchers for early voting areas must shall be
approved by the supervisor of elections no later than 7 days before early voting begins. The supervisor shall furnish to each election board a list of the poll watchers designated and approved for such polling rooms or early voting areas. Designation of poll watchers shall be made by the chair of the county executive committee of a political party, the chair of a political committee, or the candidate requesting to have poll watchers.

(5) The supervisor of elections shall provide to each designated poll watcher an identification badge that identifies the poll watcher by name. Each poll watcher must wear his or her identification badge while in the polling room or early voting area.

Section 15. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 101.5614, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

101.5614 Canvass of returns.—

(4)(a) If any vote-by-mail ballot is physically damaged so that it cannot properly be counted by the voting system’s automatic tabulating equipment, a true duplicate copy shall be made of the damaged ballot in the presence of witnesses and substituted for the damaged ballot. Likewise, A duplicate ballot must also be made of a vote-by-mail ballot containing an overvoted race or a marked vote-by-mail ballot in which every race is undervoted, including all valid votes as determined by the canvassing board based on rules adopted by the division pursuant to s. 102.166(4). Upon request, a physically present candidate, a political party official, a political committee official, or an authorized designee thereof,
must be allowed to observe the duplication of ballots. All
duplicate ballots shall be clearly labeled “duplicate,” bear a
serial number [which] shall be recorded on the defective
ballot, and be counted in lieu of the defective ballot. After a
ballot has been duplicated, the defective ballot shall be placed
in an envelope provided for that purpose, and the duplicate
ballot shall be tallied with the other ballots for that
precinct.

Section 16. Section 101.5617, Florida Statutes, is created
to read:

101.5617 Electronic poll book approval.—
(1) Beginning with the 2022 primary election and each
election thereafter, an electronic poll book may not be used as
a precinct register unless it is approved for such use by the
department.

(2) The department shall adopt rules for the approval of an
electronic poll book which provide that the electronic poll
book, at a minimum, must:

(a) Be secure from unauthorized intrusion.

(b) Contain all information required to be included in a
precinct register under s. 98.461(2).

(c) Be compatible with the statewide voter registration
system and securely transmit changes to a voter’s voting history
to the voter registration system.

(d) Be compatible with a form or device provided by the
supervisor to capture an elector’s signature in accordance with
s. 101.5608(1).

Section 17. Subsection (1) of section 101.6103, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:
101.6103 Mail ballot election procedure.—

(1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (7), the supervisor of elections shall mail all official ballots with a secrecy envelope, a return mailing envelope, and instructions sufficient to describe the voting process to each elector entitled to vote in the election between not sooner than the 40th and 33rd days before the election but no and not later than the 10th day before the date of the election. All such ballots shall be mailed by first-class mail. Ballots shall be addressed to each elector at the address appearing in the registration records and placed in an envelope that which is prominently marked “Do Not Forward.”

Section 18. Paragraph (e) of subsection (4) of section 102.031, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

102.031 Maintenance of good order at polls; authorities; persons allowed in polling rooms and early voting areas; unlawful solicitation of voters.—

(4)

(e) The owner, operator, or lessee of the property on which a polling place or an early voting site is located, or an agent or employee thereof, may not prohibit the solicitation of voters by any candidate or a candidate’s designee outside of the no-solicitation zone during polling hours.

Section 19. Subsection (4) of section 103.091, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

103.091 Political parties.—

(4) Any political party other than a minor political party may by rule provide for the membership of its state or county executive committee to be elected for 4-year terms at the
primary election in each year a presidential election is held.

The terms shall commence on the first day of the month following each presidential general election, but the names of candidates for political party offices may not be placed on the ballot at any other election. The results of such election shall be determined by a plurality of the votes cast. In such event, electors seeking to qualify for such office shall do so with the Department of State or supervisor of elections no earlier than noon of the 71st day, or later than noon of the 67th day, preceding the primary election. Notwithstanding the qualifying period prescribed in this subsection, a qualifying office may accept and hold qualifying papers submitted no earlier than 14 days before the beginning of the qualifying period, to be processed and filed during the qualifying period.

The outgoing chair of each county executive committee shall, within 30 days after the committee members take office, hold an organizational meeting of all newly elected members for the purpose of electing officers. The chair of each state executive committee shall, within 60 days after the committee members take office, hold an organizational meeting of all newly elected members for the purpose of electing officers.

Section 20. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 106.08, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (11) is added to that section, to read:

106.08 Contributions; limitations on; preemption.—
(1) (a) Except for political parties or affiliated party committees, no person or political committee may, in any election, make contributions in excess of the following amounts:

1. To a candidate for statewide office or for retention as
a justice of the Supreme Court, $3,000. Candidates for the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor on the same ticket are considered a single candidate for the purpose of this section.

2. To a candidate for retention as a judge of a district court of appeal; a candidate for legislative office; a candidate for multicounty office; a candidate for countywide office or in any election conducted on less than a countywide basis; or a candidate for county court judge or circuit judge, $1,000.

Effective January 1, 2025, and every 5 years thereafter, the division shall adjust the contribution limits established in subparagraphs 1. and 2. in an amount equal to the total of the annual increases for the preceding 5-year period in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, U.S. City Average, All Items. The division shall round each adjusted amount to the nearest hundredth. Following each adjustment, the division shall publish the revised contribution limits on its website.

(11)(a) A county, a municipality, or any other local governmental entity is expressly preempted from enacting or adopting:

1. Contribution limits that differ from the limitations established in subsection (1);

2. Any limitation or restriction involving contributions to a political committee or an electioneering communications organization; or

3. Any limitation or restriction on expenditures for an electioneering communication or an independent expenditure.

(b) Any existing or future limitation or restriction
enacted or adopted by a county, a municipality, or any other local governmental entity which is in conflict with this subsection is void.

Section 21. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect October 1, 2021.

And the title is amended as follows:

Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; amending s. 97.052, F.S.; revising requirements for the uniform statewide voter registration application; amending s. 97.0525, F.S.; authorizing an applicant to submit an online voter registration application using the last four digits of the applicant’s social security number; specifying additional requirements for comprehensive risk assessments of the online voter registration system; prescribing procedures for applicants who submit an application using the last four digits of their social security numbers; requiring the Division of Elections to adopt certain rules governing electronic images of applicants’ signatures; requiring the online voter registration system to populate a printable application with an applicant’s information if the last four digits of his or her social security number cannot be verified; requiring the division to develop an application programming interface for use
by third-party voter registration organizations; amending s. 97.053, F.S.; revising requirements governing the acceptance of voter registration applications; amending s. 97.057, F.S.; revising procedures governing voter registration by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; modifying procedures for updates to voter registration records; providing for the electronic transmittal of change of address information in accordance with specified requirements; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and the Department of State to prescribe a method to verify the registration or preregistration status of certain individuals; amending s. 97.0575, F.S.; authorizing third-party voter registration organizations to submit voter registration applications electronically; requiring the division to adopt rules governing testing and security requirements for application programming interfaces used by such organizations; prohibiting the denial of an organization’s application or website if testing and security requirements are met; entitling an organization to an affirmative defense for failure to timely deliver voter registration applications if a network outage occurs; amending s. 97.0585, F.S.; deleting an exemption from public records requirements for information related to a voter registration applicant’s or voter’s prior felony conviction and his or her restoration of voting rights to conform to
changes made by the act; amending ss. 97.1031, 98.045, and 98.065, F.S.; conforming provisions and a cross-reference to changes made by the act; amending s. 98.0655, F.S.; requiring the supervisor to update a voter’s voter registration record if a voter returns an address change notice due to an incorrect newly recorded address of legal residence; amending s. 98.0981, F.S.; requiring supervisors to post precinct-level election results on their websites with a specified disclaimer; requiring supervisors to post live turnout data for election day voting on their websites; requiring supervisors to transmit live turnout data to the Division of Elections; directing the division to create and maintain a statewide voter turnout dashboard on its website using such data; amending s. 101.043, F.S.; deleting a provision that prohibits the use of an address appearing on identification presented by an elector at the polls as a basis to confirm an elector’s legal residence; deleting a provision that prohibits a clerk or an inspector from asking an elector to provide additional identification information under specified circumstances; amending s. 101.051, F.S.; increasing the no-solicitation zone surrounding the entrance of a polling place or an early voting site wherein certain activities are prohibited; conforming a provision; amending s. 101.131, F.S.; modifying restrictions governing poll watcher interaction with voters; revising requirements for eligibility to serve as a
poll watcher; revising certain deadlines for the 
submission of poll watcher designation forms; removing 
the requirement that the supervisor of elections 
provide poll watcher identification badges in advance 
of the election; amending s. 101.5614, F.S.; removing 
the requirement that duplicate ballots be made of 
vote-by-mail ballots containing overvoted races; 
creating s. 101.5617, F.S.; prohibiting the use of 
electronic poll books that are not approved by the 
Department of State, beginning with the 2022 primary 
election; requiring the department to adopt rules that 
meet certain minimum criteria; amending s. 101.6103, 
F.S.; revising the timeframe in which the supervisor 
of elections must mail ballots in elections conducted 
under the Mail Ballot Election Act; amending s. 
102.031, F.S.; prohibiting owners, operators, or 
lessees of property on which polling places or early 
voting sites are located from prohibiting the 
solicitation of voters by a candidate or a candidate’s 
designee outside the no-solicitation zone during 
polling hours; amending s. 103.091, F.S.; authorizing 
a qualifying office to accept and hold qualifying 
papers for candidates for political party executive 
committees before the beginning of the qualifying 
period; amending s. 106.08, F.S.; requiring the 
Division of Elections to periodically adjust campaign 
contribution limits for inflation; requiring the 
division to publish the adjusted limits on its 
website; preempting counties, municipalities, and
other local governmental entities from enacting or adopting any limitation or restriction involving certain contributions and expenditures, or establishing contribution limits different than those established in the Florida Election Code; providing applicability; providing effective dates.