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Senator Jones moved the following:

**Senate Amendment to Amendment (903278)**

Delete lines 734 - 1032

and insert:

~~5.6.~~ Student identification.

~~6.7.~~ Retirement center identification.

~~8.~~ Neighborhood association identification.

~~9.~~ Public assistance identification.

~~7.10.~~ Veteran health identification card issued by the  
United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

~~8.11.~~ A license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm



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12 issued pursuant to s. 790.06.

13 ~~9.12.~~ Any other ~~Employee~~ identification card issued by any  
14 branch, department, agency, or entity of the Federal Government,  
15 the state, a county, or a municipality.

16 (b) If the picture identification does not contain the  
17 signature of the elector, an additional identification that  
18 provides the elector's signature is ~~shall be~~ required. The  
19 address appearing on the identification presented by the elector  
20 may not be used as the basis to challenge an elector's legal  
21 residence. The elector must ~~shall~~ sign his or her name in the  
22 space provided on the precinct register or on an electronic  
23 device provided for recording the elector's signature. The clerk  
24 or inspector shall compare the signature with that on the  
25 identification provided by the elector and enter his or her  
26 initials in the space provided on the precinct register or on an  
27 electronic device provided for that purpose and allow the  
28 elector to vote if the clerk or inspector is satisfied as to the  
29 identity of the elector.

30 Section 14. Paragraph (d) of subsection (6) of section  
31 101.048, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

32 101.048 Provisional ballots.—

33 (6)

34 (d) Instructions must accompany the cure affidavit in  
35 substantially the following form:

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37 READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE  
38 AFFIDAVIT. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS MAY CAUSE YOUR  
39 BALLOT NOT TO COUNT.

40 1. In order to cure the missing signature or the signature



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41 discrepancy on your Provisional Ballot Voter's Certificate and  
42 Affirmation, your affidavit should be completed and returned as  
43 soon as possible so that it can reach the supervisor of  
44 elections of the county in which your precinct is located no  
45 later than 5 p.m. on the 2nd day after the election.

46 2. You must sign your name on the line above (Voter's  
47 Signature).

48 3. You must make a copy of one of the following forms of  
49 identification:

50 a. Tier 1 identification.—Current and valid identification  
51 that includes your name and photograph: Florida driver license;  
52 Florida identification card issued by the Department of Highway  
53 Safety and Motor Vehicles; United States passport or passport  
54 card; United States uniformed services or Merchant Marine; ~~debit~~  
55 ~~or credit card~~; ~~military~~ identification; student identification;  
56 retirement center identification; ~~neighborhood association~~  
57 ~~identification~~; ~~public assistance identification~~; veteran health  
58 identification card issued by the United States Department of  
59 Veterans Affairs; Florida license to carry a concealed weapon or  
60 firearm; or any other ~~employee~~ identification card issued by any  
61 branch, department, agency, or entity of the Federal Government,  
62 the state, a county, or a municipality; or

63 b. Tier 2 identification.—ONLY IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A TIER 1  
64 FORM OF IDENTIFICATION, identification that shows your name and  
65 current residence address: current utility bill; bank statement;  
66 government check; paycheck; or government document (excluding  
67 voter information card).

68 4. Place the envelope bearing the affidavit into a mailing  
69 envelope addressed to the supervisor. Insert a copy of your



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70 identification in the mailing envelope. Mail (if time permits),  
71 deliver, or have delivered the completed affidavit along with  
72 the copy of your identification to your county supervisor of  
73 elections. Be sure there is sufficient postage if mailed and  
74 that the supervisor's address is correct. Remember, your  
75 information MUST reach your county supervisor of elections no  
76 later than 5 p.m. on the 2nd day following the election or your  
77 ballot will not count.

78 5. Alternatively, you may fax or e-mail your completed  
79 affidavit and a copy of your identification to the supervisor of  
80 elections. If e-mailing, please provide these documents as  
81 attachments.

82 6. Submitting a provisional ballot affidavit does not  
83 establish your eligibility to vote in this election or guarantee  
84 that your ballot will be counted. The county canvassing board  
85 determines your eligibility to vote through information provided  
86 on the Provisional Ballot Voter's Certificate and Affirmation,  
87 written evidence provided by you, including information in your  
88 cure affidavit along with any supporting identification, and any  
89 other evidence presented by the supervisor of elections or a  
90 challenger. You may still be required to present additional  
91 written evidence to support your eligibility to vote.

92 Section 15. Subsection (1) of section 101.151, Florida  
93 Statutes, is amended to read:

94 101.151 Specifications for ballots.—

95 (1) (a) ~~Marksense~~ Ballots must ~~shall~~ be printed on paper of  
96 such thickness that the printing cannot be distinguished from  
97 the back and must ~~shall~~ meet the specifications of the voting  
98 system that will be used to tabulate the ballots.



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99 (b) Polling places and early voting sites may employ a  
100 ballot-on-demand production system to print individual ~~marksense~~  
101 ballots, including provisional ballots, for eligible voters  
102 ~~electors~~. Ballot-on-demand technology may be used to produce  
103 ~~marksense~~ vote-by-mail, early voting, and election-day ballots.

104 Section 16. Subsection (4) of section 101.5606, Florida  
105 Statutes, is amended to read:

106 101.5606 Requirements for approval of systems.—No  
107 electronic or electromechanical voting system shall be approved  
108 by the Department of State unless it is so constructed that:

109 (4) ~~For systems using marksense ballots,~~ It accepts a  
110 rejected ballot pursuant to subsection (3) if a voter chooses to  
111 cast the ballot, but records no vote for any office that has  
112 been overvoted or undervoted.

113 Section 17. Section 101.56075, Florida Statutes, is amended  
114 to read:

115 101.56075 Voting methods.—For the purpose of designating  
116 ballot selections, all voting must be by official marksense  
117 ballot, using a pen compatible with or recommended for use with  
118 the voting system, unless a voter requests to vote using marking  
119 ~~device or~~ a voter interface device that produces a voter-  
120 verifiable paper output and meets the voter accessibility  
121 requirements for individuals with disabilities under s. 301 of  
122 the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 and s. 101.56062.

123 Section 18. Section 101.5608, Florida Statutes, is amended  
124 to read:

125 101.5608 Voting at the polls ~~by electronic or~~  
126 ~~electromechanical method;~~ procedures.—

127 (1) Each voter elector desiring to vote must ~~shall~~ be



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128 identified to the clerk or inspector of the election as a duly  
129 qualified voter ~~elector~~ of such election and must ~~shall~~ sign his  
130 or her name on the precinct register or other form or device  
131 provided by the supervisor. The inspector shall compare the  
132 signature with the signature on the identification provided by  
133 the voter ~~elector~~. If the inspector is reasonably sure that the  
134 person is entitled to vote, the inspector must ~~shall~~ provide the  
135 person with a ballot.

136 (2) When an electronic or electromechanical voting system  
137 utilizes a ballot ~~card or marksense ballot~~, the following  
138 procedures must ~~shall~~ be followed to vote:

139 (a) After receiving a ballot from an inspector, the voter  
140 ~~elector~~ shall, without leaving the polling place, retire to a  
141 booth or compartment and mark the ballot. After marking his or  
142 her ballot, the voter must ~~elector shall~~ place the ballot in a  
143 secrecy envelope so that the ballot will be deposited in the  
144 tabulator without exposing the voter's choices.

145 (b) Any voter who spoils his or her ballot or makes an  
146 error may return the ballot to the election official and secure  
147 another ballot, except that in no case shall a voter be  
148 furnished more than three ballots. If the vote tabulation device  
149 has rejected a ballot, the ballot must ~~shall~~ be considered  
150 spoiled and a new ballot must ~~shall~~ be provided to the voter  
151 unless the voter chooses to cast the rejected ballot. The  
152 election official, without examining the original ballot, shall  
153 state the possible reasons for the rejection and ~~shall~~ provide  
154 instruction to the voter pursuant to s. 101.5611. A spoiled  
155 ballot must ~~shall~~ be preserved, without examination, in an  
156 envelope provided for that purpose. ~~The stub shall be removed~~



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157 ~~from the ballot and placed in an envelope.~~

158 (c) The supervisor of elections shall prepare for each  
159 polling place at least one ballot box to contain the ballots of  
160 a particular precinct, and each ballot box must ~~shall~~ be plainly  
161 marked with the name of the precinct for which it is intended.

162 (3) The Department of State shall promulgate rules  
163 regarding voting procedures to be used when an electronic or  
164 electromechanical voting system is of a type which does not  
165 utilize a ballot ~~card or marksense ballot~~.

166 (4) In any election in which a write-in candidate has  
167 qualified for office, the supervisor of elections shall provide  
168 for write-in voting pursuant to rules adopted by the Division of  
169 Elections.

170 Section 19. Subsection (5) of section 101.5612, Florida  
171 Statutes, is amended to read:

172 101.5612 Testing of tabulating equipment.—

173 (5) Any tests involving ~~marksense~~ ballots pursuant to this  
174 section must ~~shall~~ employ test ballots created by the supervisor  
175 of elections using actual ballots that have been printed for the  
176 election. If ballot-on-demand ballots will be used in the  
177 election, the supervisor must ~~shall~~ also create test ballots  
178 using the ballot-on-demand technology that will be used to  
179 produce ballots in the election, using the same paper stock as  
180 will be used for ballots in the election.

181 Section 20. Paragraph (d) of subsection (4) of section  
182 101.68, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

183 101.68 Canvassing of vote-by-mail ballot.—

184 (4)

185 (d) Instructions must accompany the cure affidavit in



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186 substantially the following form:

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188 READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE  
189 AFFIDAVIT. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS MAY CAUSE YOUR  
190 BALLOT NOT TO COUNT.

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192 1. In order to ensure that your vote-by-mail ballot will be  
193 counted, your affidavit should be completed and returned as soon  
194 as possible so that it can reach the supervisor of elections of  
195 the county in which your precinct is located no later than 5  
196 p.m. on the 2nd day after the election.

197 2. You must sign your name on the line above (Voter's  
198 Signature).

199 3. You must make a copy of one of the following forms of  
200 identification:

201 a. Tier 1 identification.—Current and valid identification  
202 that includes your name and photograph: Florida driver license;  
203 Florida identification card issued by the Department of Highway  
204 Safety and Motor Vehicles; United States passport or passport  
205 card; United States uniformed services or Merchant Marine; ~~debit~~  
206 ~~or credit card~~; ~~military~~ identification; student identification;  
207 retirement center identification; ~~neighborhood association~~  
208 ~~identification~~; ~~public assistance identification~~; veteran health  
209 identification card issued by the United States Department of  
210 Veterans Affairs; a Florida license to carry a concealed weapon  
211 or firearm; or any an ~~employee~~ identification card issued by any  
212 branch, department, agency, or entity of the Federal Government,  
213 the state, a county, or a municipality; or

214 b. Tier 2 identification.—ONLY IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A TIER 1



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215 FORM OF IDENTIFICATION, identification that shows your name and  
216 current residence address: current utility bill, bank statement,  
217 government check, paycheck, or government document (excluding  
218 voter information card).

219 4. Place the envelope bearing the affidavit into a mailing  
220 envelope addressed to the supervisor. Insert a copy of your  
221 identification in the mailing envelope. Mail (if time permits),  
222 deliver, or have delivered the completed affidavit along with  
223 the copy of your identification to your county supervisor of  
224 elections. Be sure there is sufficient postage if mailed and  
225 that the supervisor's address is correct. Remember, your  
226 information MUST reach your county supervisor of elections no  
227 later than 5 p.m. on the 2nd day after the election, or your  
228 ballot will not count.

229 5. Alternatively, you may fax or e-mail your completed  
230 affidavit and a copy of your identification to the supervisor of  
231 elections. If e-mailing, please provide these documents as  
232 attachments.

233 Section 21. Subsection (2) of section 101.6923, Florida  
234 Statutes, is amended to read:

235 101.6923 Special vote-by-mail ballot instructions for  
236 certain first-time voters.—

237 (2) A voter covered by this section must be provided with  
238 printed instructions with his or her vote-by-mail ballot in  
239 substantially the following form:

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241 READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE MARKING YOUR  
242 BALLOT. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS MAY CAUSE YOUR  
243 BALLOT NOT TO COUNT.



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1. In order to ensure that your vote-by-mail ballot will be counted, it should be completed and returned as soon as possible so that it can reach the supervisor of elections of the county in which your precinct is located no later than 7 p.m. on the date of the election. However, if you are an overseas voter casting a ballot in a presidential preference primary or general election, your vote-by-mail ballot must be postmarked or dated no later than the date of the election and received by the supervisor of elections of the county in which you are registered to vote no later than 10 days after the date of the election. Note that the later you return your ballot, the less time you will have to cure signature deficiencies, which is authorized until 5 p.m. local time on the 2nd day after the election.

2. Mark your ballot in secret as instructed on the ballot. You must mark your own ballot unless you are unable to do so because of blindness, disability, or inability to read or write.

3. Mark only the number of candidates or issue choices for a race as indicated on the ballot. If you are allowed to "Vote for One" candidate and you vote for more than one, your vote in that race will not be counted.

4. Place your marked ballot in the enclosed secrecy envelope and seal the envelope.

5. Insert the secrecy envelope into the enclosed envelope bearing the Voter's Certificate. Seal the envelope and completely fill out the Voter's Certificate on the back of the envelope.

a. You must sign your name on the line above (Voter's



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273 Signature).

274       b. If you are an overseas voter, you must include the date  
275 you signed the Voter's Certificate on the line above (Date) or  
276 your ballot may not be counted.

277       c. A vote-by-mail ballot will be considered illegal and  
278 will not be counted if the signature on the Voter's Certificate  
279 does not match the signature on record. The signature on file at  
280 the start of the canvass of the vote-by-mail ballots is the  
281 signature that will be used to verify your signature on the  
282 Voter's Certificate. If you need to update your signature for  
283 this election, send your signature update on a voter  
284 registration application to your supervisor of elections so that  
285 it is received before your vote-by-mail ballot is received.

286       6. Unless you meet one of the exemptions in Item 7., you  
287 must make a copy of one of the following forms of  
288 identification:

289       a. Identification which must include your name and  
290 photograph: United States passport or passport card; United  
291 States uniformed services or Merchant Marine; ~~debit or credit~~  
292 ~~card; military~~ identification; student identification;  
293 retirement center identification; ~~neighborhood association~~  
294 ~~identification; public assistance identification;~~ veteran health  
295 identification card issued by the United States Department of  
296 Veterans Affairs; a Florida license to carry a concealed weapon  
297 or firearm; or any ~~an employee~~ identification card issued by any  
298 branch, department, agency, or entity of the Federal Government,  
299 the state, a county, or a municipality; or