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HOUSE BILL 15-1084

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(None),

House Committees

State, Veterans, & Military Affairs

Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF MAIL BALLOTS.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

Section 1 of the bill changes the required designated number of voter service and polling centers (VSPC) for counties with at least 25,000 active electors:

- ! During early voting, from at least one VSPC for each 30,000 active electors to at least one VSPC for each 75,000 active electors; and
- ! On election day, from at least one VSPC for each 15,000 active electors to at least one VSPC for each 30,000 active

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Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

electors.

Section 2 of the bill deletes a requirement in the "Colorado Local Government Election Code" requiring the return envelope for a mail ballot packet to have a flap covering the signature.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-5-102.9, **amend** (1)

3 (a) (I) as follows:

4 **1-5-102.9. Voter service and polling centers - number required**
5 **- services provided - drop-off locations - repeal.** (1) (a) For general
6 elections, each county clerk and recorder shall designate a minimum
7 number of voter service and polling centers, as follows:

8 (I) For counties with at least twenty-five thousand active electors:

9 (A) During the period designated for early voting, at least one
10 voter service and polling center for each ~~thirty~~ SEVENTY-FIVE thousand
11 active electors; except that there must be at least one voter service and
12 polling center in each such county; and

13 (B) On election day, at least one voter service and polling center
14 for every ~~fifteen~~ THIRTY thousand active electors, but no fewer than three
15 in each such county.

16 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-13.5-1105, **repeal**
17 (4) (c) (III) as follows:

18 **1-13.5-1105. Procedures for conducting independent mail**
19 **ballot election.** (4) (c) (III) ~~The return envelope is required to have a flap~~
20 ~~covering the signature.~~

21 **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date -**
22 **applicability.** (1) This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following
23 the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the

1 general assembly (August 5, 2015, if adjournment sine die is on May 6,
2 2015); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1
3 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section,
4 or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part
5 will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election
6 to be held in November 2016 and, in such case, will take effect on the
7 date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

8 (2) This act applies to elections conducted on or after the
9 applicable effective date of this act.