

### **HOUSE BILL No. 1116**

DIGEST OF HB 1116 (Updated January 27, 2022 2:45 pm - DI 125)

**Citations Affected:** IC 3-5; IC 3-11; IC 3-11.7; IC 3-12.

**Synopsis:** Electronic voting machines. Changes the date by which a county must provide a voter verifiable paper audit trail for electronic voting systems from December 31, 2029, to July 1, 2024. Provides that, after July 1, 2022, a county must meet certain requirements when using any direct record electronic voting system that does not include a voter verifiable paper audit trail for an election. Provides that the security agreement that counties are required to enter into with the secretary of state must be funded by money received from the federal government or from money appropriated by the general assembly. Provides that before an individual can access an absentee ballot application that is submitted in an electronic format using a module of the computerized (Continued next page)

Effective: Upon passage; July 1, 2022.

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January 4, 2022, read first time and referred to Committee on Elections and

Apportionment.

January 11, 2022, amended, reported — Do Pass. Referred to Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to Rule 127.

January 25, 2022, amended, reported — Do Pass.

January 27, 2022, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.



### Digest Continued

list, the individual must provide either the individual's Indiana driver's license number or the last four digits of the individual's Social Security number. Provides that under certain circumstances, a person is entitled to vote by absentee ballot by mail if the person is unable to vote for various reasons. Requires that voting before an absentee voter board at the circuit court clerk's office or at a satellite office be referred to as "early voting" on all forms prescribed by the election division and in all communications with voters. Repeals language that requires the circuit court clerk to provide notice containing certain information to each voter who casts a provisional ballot. Changes the term "risk-limiting audit" to "post-election audit". Removes the word "pilot" from the chapter concerning post-election audits. Provides that the secretary of state shall determine the number of elections that are subject to a post-election audit.



Second Regular Session of the 122nd General Assembly (2022)

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Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2021 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

## **HOUSE BILL No. 1116**

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning elections.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

CECTION 1 IC 2.5.4.12 AC AMENDED DV DI 102.2021

1	SECTION 1. IC 3-5-4-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193-2021,
2	SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3	JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 12. (a) This section applies only if the costs to
4	a county to enter into an agreement required by this section can be
5	paid from money:
6	(1) received from the federal government and permitted to be
7	spent for this purpose; or
8	(2) appropriated by the general assembly for this purpose.
9	(a) (b) Each county shall enter into an agreement with the secretary
10	of state to use a threat intelligence and enterprise security company
11	designated by the secretary of state to provide hardware, software, and
12	services to:
13	(1) investigate cybersecurity attacks;
14	(2) protect against malicious software; and
15	(3) analyze information technology security risks.
16	(b) (c) The agreement to provide services to a county under this
17	section:



has no effect on any threat intelligence and enterprise security ice provided to the county by any other agreement with a vider or by any county employee or contractor; and must be designed to complement any existing service sement or service used by the county;
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county enters into the agreement.
is section expires January 1, <del>2023.</del> <b>2028.</b>
ION 2. IC 3-11-4-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.278-2019,
N 62, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
2022]: Sec. 2. (a) A voter who wants to vote by absentee
st apply to the county election board for an official absentee
scept as provided in subsection (b), the voter must sign the
ballot application.
a voter with disabilities is unable to sign the absentee ballot
on and the voter has not designated an individual to serve as
in fact for the voter, the voter may designate an individual
assist the voter under IC 3-11-9-2(a) to sign the application
of the voter and add the individual's name to the application.
dividual applies for an absentee ballot as the properly
d attorney in fact for a voter, the attorney in fact must attach
f the power of attorney to the application and comply with
n (d).
person may provide an individual with an application for an
ballot with the following information already printed or
e set forth on the application when provided to the individual:
Γhe name of the individual.
Γhe voter registration address of the individual.
The mailing address of the individual.
Γhe date of birth of the individual.
person may not provide an individual with an application for
tee ballot with the following information already printed or
e set forth on the application when provided to the individual:
The address to which the absentee ballot would be mailed, if
erent from the voter registration address of the individual.
n a primary election, the major political party ballot requested
he individual.
In a primary or general election, the types of absentee ballots
nested by the individual.
The reason why the individual is entitled to vote an absentee
ot:
A) by mail; or
B) before an absentee voter board (other than an absentee



1	voter board located in the office of the circuit court clerk or a
2	satellite office);
3	in accordance with IC 3-11-4-18, IC 3-11-10-24, or
4	IC 3-11-10-25.
5	(5) The voter identification number of the individual.
6	(e) If the county election board determines that an absentee ballot
7	application does not comply with subsection (d), the board shall deny
8	the application under section 17.5 of this chapter.
9	(f) This subsection applies only to an absentee ballot application
10	submitted in an electronic format using a module of the
11	computerized list under IC 3-7-26.3. In order for an individual to
12	access the absentee ballot application, the individual shall provide
13	either of the following:
14	(1) The individual's ten (10) digit Indiana driver's license
15	number.
16	(2) The last four (4) digits of the individual's Social Security
17	number.
18	(f) (g) A person who assists an individual in completing any
19	information described in subsection (d) on an absentee ballot
20	application shall state under the penalties for perjury the following
21	information on the application:
22	(1) The full name, residence and mailing address, and daytime
23	and evening telephone numbers (if any) of the person providing
24	the assistance.
25	(2) The date this assistance was provided.
26	(3) That the person providing the assistance has complied with
27	Indiana laws governing the submission of absentee ballot
28	applications.
29	(4) That the person has no knowledge or reason to believe that the
30	individual submitting the application:
31	(A) is ineligible to vote or to cast an absentee ballot; or
32	(B) did not properly complete and sign the application.
33	When providing assistance to an individual, the person must, in the
34	individual's presence and with the individual's consent, provide the
35	information listed in subsection (d) if the individual is unable to do so.
36	(g) (h) This subsection does not apply to an employee of the United
37	States Postal Service or a bonded courier company acting in the
38	individual's capacity as an employee of the United States Postal Service
39	or a bonded courier company. A person who receives a completed
40	absentee ballot application from the individual who has applied for the
41	absentee ballot shall indicate on the application the date the person

received the application, and file the application with the appropriate



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1	county election board or election division not later than:
2	(1) noon ten (10) days after the person receives the application;
3	or
4	(2) the deadline set by Indiana law for filing the application with
5	the board;
6	whichever occurs first. The election division, a county election board,
7	or a board of elections and registration shall forward an absentee ballot
8	application to the county election board or board of elections and
9	registration of the county where the individual resides.
10	(h) (i) This subsection does not apply to an employee of the United
11	States Postal Service or a bonded courier company acting in the
12	individual's capacity as an employee of the United States Postal Service
13	or a bonded courier company, or to the election division, a county
14	election board, or a board of elections and registration. A person filing
15	an absentee ballot application, other than the person's own absentee
16	ballot application, must include an affidavit with the application. The
17	affidavit must be signed by the individual who received the completed
18	application from the applicant. The affidavit must be in a form
19	prescribed by the election division. The form must include the
20	following:
21	(1) A statement of the full name, residence and mailing address,
22	and daytime and evening telephone numbers (if any) of the person
23	submitting the application.
24	(2) A statement that the person filing the affidavit has complied
25	with Indiana laws governing the submission of absentee ballot
26	applications.
27	(3) The date (or dates) that the absentee ballot applications
28	attached to the affidavit were received.
29	(4) A statement that the person has no knowledge or reason to
30	believe that the individual whose application is to be filed:
31	(A) is ineligible to vote or to cast an absentee ballot; or
32	(B) did not properly complete and sign the application.
33	(5) A statement that the person is executing the affidavit under the
34	penalties of perjury.
35	(6) A statement setting forth the penalties for perjury.
36	(i) (j) The county election board shall record the date and time of
37	the filing of the affidavit.
38	SECTION 3. IC 3-11-4-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.109-2021,
39	SECTION 20, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
40	JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 3. (a) Except as provided in subsection (c) and
41	section 6 of this chapter, an application for an absentee ballot must be

received by the circuit court clerk (or, in a county subject to IC 3-6-5.2



or IC 3-6-5.6, the director of the board of elections and registration) not

2	earlier than the date the registration period resumes under IC 3-7-13-10
3	nor later than the following:
4	(1) Noon on election day if the voter registers to vote under
5	IC 3-7-36-14.
6	(2) Noon on the day before election day if the voter:
7	(A) completes the application in the office of the circuit court
8	clerk under IC 3-11-10-26; or
9	(B) is an absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter
10	who requests that the ballot be transmitted by electronic mail
11	or fax under section 6(h) of this chapter.
12	(3) Noon on the day before election day if:
13	(A) the application is a mailed, transmitted by electronic mail,
14	or fax, or hand delivered application from a confined voter or
15	voter caring for a confined person; and
16	(B) the applicant requests that the absentee ballots be
17	delivered to the applicant by an absentee voter board under
18	IC 3-11-10-25.
19	(4) 11:59 p.m. twelve (12) days before election day if the
20	application is:
21	(A) a mailed application;
22	(B) transmitted by electronic mail;
23	(C) transmitted by fax; or
24	(D) hand delivered;
25	from other voters who request to vote by mail under
26	IC 3-11-10-24.
27	(b) An application for an absentee ballot received by the election
28	division by the time and date specified by subsection $(a)(2)(B)$ , $(a)(3)$ ,
29	or (a)(4) is considered to have been timely received for purposes of
30	processing by the county. The election division shall immediately
31	transmit the application to the circuit court clerk, or the director of the
32	board of elections and registration, of the county where the applicant
33	resides. The election division is not required to complete or file the
34	affidavit required under section 2(h) 2(i) of this chapter whenever the
35	election division transmits an application under this subsection.
36	(c) An application for an absentee ballot for the election may not be
37	received by the circuit court clerk (or, in a county subject to IC 3-6-5.2
38	or IC 3-6-5.6, the director of the board of elections and registration)
39	earlier than December 1 of the year before the election.
40	SECTION 4. IC 3-11-4-5.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193-2021,
41	SECTION 37, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE

JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 5.1. (a) The election division shall prescribe the



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1	form of an application for an absentee ballot.
2	(b) This subsection does not apply to the form for an absentee ballot
3	application to be submitted by an absent uniformed services voter or
4	overseas voter that contains a standardized oath for those voters. The
5	form of the application for an absentee ballot must do all of the
6	following:
7	(1) Require the applicant to swear to or affirm under the penalties
8	of perjury that all of the information set forth on the application
9	is true to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief.
10	(2) Require a person who assisted with the completion of the
11	application to swear to or affirm under the penalties of perjury the
12	statements set forth in section $\frac{2(f)}{2(g)}$ of this chapter.
13	(3) Serve as a verified statement for a voter to indicate a change
14	of name under IC 3-7-41. The form must require the applicant to
15	indicate the applicant's previous name.
16	(4) Set forth the penalties for perjury.
17	(c) The form prescribed by the election division shall require that a
18	voter who:
19	(1) requests an absentee ballot; and
20	(2) is eligible to vote in the precinct under IC 3-10-11 or
21	IC 3-10-12;
22	must include the affidavit required by IC 3-10-11 or a written
23	affirmation described in IC 3-10-12.
24	(d) The election division shall approve absentee ballot application
25	forms that comply with this subsection and section $2(g)$ <b>2(h)</b> of this
26	chapter and permit the applicant to indicate a change of name under
27	subsection (b). The form prescribed by the election division must
28	request that a voter who requests an absentee ballot:
29	(1) provide the last four (4) digits of the voter's Social Security
30	number; or
31	(2) state that the voter does not have a Social Security number.
32	The form must indicate that the voter's compliance with this request is
33	optional.
34	(e) An application form submitted by a voter must comply with
35	subsection (d).
36	(f) The form prescribed by the election division must include a
37	statement that permits an applicant to indicate whether:
38	(1) the applicant has been certified and is currently a participant
39	in the address confidentiality program under IC 5-26.5-2; and
40	(2) the applicant's legal address is the address set forth in the



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applicant's voter registration.

If the applicant confirms these statements, the applicant may indicate

the address of the office of the attorney general as the address to which the absentee ballot is to be mailed.

- (g) This subsection applies to an application to receive an absentee ballot:
  - (1) by mail under IC 3-11-10-24; or

(2) in the form of an application to vote before an absentee voter board under IC 3-11-10-25 at the voter's place of confinement or the residence of the voter.

If the voter wishes to submit an application under this section in an electronic format using a module of the statewide voter registration system, the voter must include a telephone number at which the voter can be reached to submit the application.

(h) The application form for an absentee ballot must enable the applicant to provide the applicant's electronic mail address. However, an applicant's failure to provide an electronic mail address is not a reason for denial of the absentee ballot application.

SECTION 5. IC 3-11-8-25.2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193-2021, SECTION 42, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 25.2. (a) The poll clerk or assistant poll clerk shall examine the list provided under IC 3-7-29-1 to determine if the county election board has indicated that the voter is required to provide additional personal identification under 52 U.S.C. 21083 and IC 3-7-33-4.5 before voting in person. If the list indicates that the voter is required to present this identification before voting in person, the poll clerk shall advise the voter that the voter must present, in addition to the proof of identification required by section 25.1(a) of this chapter, a piece of identification described in subsection (b) to the poll clerk.

- (b) As required by 52 U.S.C. 21083, and in addition to the proof of identification required by section 25.1(a) of this chapter, a voter described by IC 3-7-33-4.5 who has not complied with IC 3-7-33-4.5 before appearing at the polls on election day must present one (1) of the following documents to the poll clerk:
  - (1) A current and valid photo identification.
  - (2) A current utility bill.
  - (3) A current bank statement.
  - (4) A current government check.
    - (5) A current paycheck.
  - (6) A current government document.

The document presented by the voter must show the name and residence address of the voter.

(c) If a voter presents a document under subsection (b), the poll clerk shall add a notation to the list indicating the type of document



1	presented by the voter. The election division shall prescribe a
2	standardized coding system to classify documents presented under this
3	subsection for entry into the county voter registration system.
4	(d) If a voter required to present documentation under subsection (b)
5	is unable to present the documentation to the poll clerk while present
6	in the polls, the poll clerk shall notify the precinct election board. The
7	board shall provide a provisional ballot to the voter under IC 3-11.7-2.
8	(e) The precinct election board shall advise the voter, both orally
9	and in writing, that the voter may file a copy of the documentation with
10	the county voter registration office to permit the provisional ballot to
11	be counted under IC 3-11.7. The election division shall prescribe the
12	form of the explanation required by this subsection.
13	(f) The circuit court clerk shall provide the notice required by
14	IC 3-11.7-6-4 to a voter who casts a provisional ballot under this
15	section.
16	SECTION 6. IC 3-11-10-24, AS AMENDED BY P.L.109-2021,
17	SECTION 30, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
18	JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 24. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), a
19	voter who satisfies any of the following is entitled to vote by mail:
20	(1) The voter has a specific, reasonable expectation of being
21	absent from the county during the period of time a voter may
22	vote by absentee ballot before the board (as described in
23	section 26 of this chapter) and on election day during the entire
24	twelve (12) hours that the polls are open.
25	(2) The voter will be absent from the precinct of the voter's
26	residence during the period of time a voter may vote by
27	absentee ballot before the board (as described in section 26 of
28	this chapter) and on election day, because of service as:
29	(A) a precinct election officer under IC 3-6-6;
30	(B) a watcher under IC 3-6-8, IC 3-6-9, or IC 3-6-10;
31	(C) a challenger or pollbook holder under IC 3-6-7; or
32	(D) a person employed by an election board to administer the
33	election for which the absentee ballot is requested.
34	(3) The voter will be confined during the period of time a voter
35	may vote by absentee ballot before the board (as described in
36	section 26 of this chapter) and on election day during the
37	entire twelve (12) hours that the polls are open to the voter's
38	residence, to a health care facility, or to a hospital because of an
39	illness or injury. during the entire twelve (12) hours that the polls



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(4) The voter is a voter with disabilities.

(5) The voter is an elderly voter.

are open.

1	(6) The voter is prevented from voting due to the voter's care of
2	an individual confined to a private residence because of illness or
3	injury during the period of time a voter may vote by absentee
4	ballot before the board (as described in section 26 of this
5	<b>chapter) and</b> during the entire twelve (12) hours that the polls are
6	open.
7	(7) The voter is scheduled to work at the person's regular place of
8	employment during the period of time a voter may vote by
9	absentee ballot before the board (as described in section 26 of
10	this chapter) and during the entire twelve (12) hours that the
11	polls are open.
12	(8) The voter is eligible to vote under IC 3-10-11 or IC 3-10-12.
13	(9) The voter is prevented from voting due to observance of a
14	religious discipline or religious holiday during the period of
15	time a voter may vote by absentee ballot before the board (as
16	described in section 26 of this chapter) and during the entire
17	twelve (12) hours that the polls are open.
18	(10) The voter is an address confidentiality program participant
19	(as defined in IC 5-26.5-1-6).
20	(11) The voter is a member of the Indiana National Guard
21	deployed or on assignment inside Indiana or a public safety
22	officer.
23	(12) The voter is a serious sex offender (as defined in
24	IC 35-42-4-14(a)).
25	(13) The voter is prevented from voting due to the unavailability
26	of transportation to the polls.
27	(b) An absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter is entitled
28	to vote by mail using the combined absentee registration form and
29	absentee ballot request approved under 52 U.S.C. 20301(b)(2).
30	(c) A county shall mail an absentee ballot to a voter under this
31	section by nonforwardable United States Postal Service mail.
32	(d) Except as provided in subsection (l), a voter with disabilities
33	who:
34	(1) is unable to make a voting mark on the ballot or sign the
35	absentee ballot secrecy envelope; and
36	(2) requests that the absentee ballot be delivered to an address
37	within Indiana;
38	must vote before an absentee voter board under section 25(b) of this
39	chapter.
40	(e) If a voter receives an absentee ballot by mail, the voter shall
41	personally mark the ballot in secret and seal the marked ballot inside

the envelope provided by the county election board for that purpose.



1	The voter shall:
2	(1) deposit the sealed envelope in the United States mail for
3	delivery to the county election board; or
4	(2) authorize a member of the voter's household, family listed in
5	IC 3-6-6-7(a)(4), or the individual designated as the voter's
6	attorney in fact to:
7	(A) deposit the sealed envelope in the United States mail; or
8	(B) deliver the sealed envelope in person to the county
9	election board at:
10	(i) the office of the circuit court clerk or the office of the
11	board of elections and registration under section 26 of this
12	chapter;
13	(ii) a satellite office of the circuit court clerk designated
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15	under section 26.3 of this chapter; or
16	(iii) a satellite office of a vote center under IC 3-11-18.1-11
17	A voter who delivers the sealed envelope under this clause
18	may request a replacement absentee ballot under IC 3-11.5-4-2
19	and cast a replacement absentee ballot at an office or vote
20	center described in items (i) through (iii).
21	(f) A county election board shall reject an absentee ballot deposited
22	in a drop box or other container or location that is not under the
23	physical control and supervision of the county election board when the
23 24	ballot is deposited.
	(g) If a drop box or other container is located in a building under the
25	control of a political subdivision in which a document may be
26 27	deposited for other purposes related to the office of the circuit cour
28	clerk or an office of any other political subdivision, the political
29	subdivision in control of the drop box or container shall post a notice
30	on or in a prominent location adjacent to the drop box or container
31	saying substantially as follows: "Do not deposit a voted absentee ballo into this box or container. The absentee ballot will not be counted.".
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33	(h) If an absentee ballot is deposited into a box or container in violation of subsection (f) or (g), the county election board shall mark
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35	the absence ballot security envelope as rejected and, if possible
36	promptly notify the individual whose name appears on the security
37	envelope containing the absentee ballot.
38	(i) If a member of the voter's household, family listed in
39	IC 3-6-6-7(a)(4), or the voter's attorney in fact delivers the sealed
39 40	envelope containing a voter's absentee ballot to the county election
40	board, the individual delivering the ballot shall complete an affidavi
	in a form prescribed by the election division. The affidavit must
42	contain the following information:



1	(1) The name and residence address of the voter whose absentee
2	ballot is being delivered.
3	(2) A statement of the full name, residence and mailing address,
4	and daytime and evening telephone numbers (if any) of the
5	individual delivering the absentee ballot.
6	(3) A statement indicating whether the individual delivering the
7	absentee ballot is a member of the voter's household, family listed
8	in IC 3-6-6-7(a)(4), or is the attorney in fact for the voter. If the
9	individual is the attorney in fact for the voter, the individual must
10	attach a copy of the power of attorney for the voter, unless a copy
11	of this document has already been filed with the county election
12	board.
13	(4) The date and location at which the absentee ballot was
14	delivered by the voter to the individual delivering the ballot to the
15	county election board.
16	(5) A statement that the individual delivering the absentee ballot
17	has complied with Indiana laws governing absentee ballots.
18	(6) A statement that the individual delivering the absentee ballot
19	is executing the affidavit under the penalties of perjury.
20	(7) A statement setting forth the penalties for perjury.
21	(j) The county election board shall record the date and time that the
22	affidavit under subsection (i) was filed with the board.
23	(k) After a voter has mailed or delivered an absentee ballot to the
24	office of the county election board, the voter may not recast a ballot,
25	except as provided in IC 3-11-4-17.7, IC 3-11.5-4-2, and
26	IC 3-11.5-4-21.
27	(l) A voter with print disabilities may vote by using the system
28	developed by the secretary of state under IC 3-11-4-6(k).
29	SECTION 7. IC 3-11-10-26, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193-2021,
30	SECTION 45, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
31	JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 26. (a) This subsection applies to all counties,
32	except for a county to which IC 3-6-5.2 or IC 3-6-5.6 applies. As an
33	alternative to voting by mail, a voter is entitled to cast an absentee
34	ballot before an absentee voter board at any of the following:
35	(1) One (1) location of the office of the circuit court clerk
36	designated by the circuit court clerk.
37	(2) A satellite office established under section 26.3 of this
38	chapter.
39	(b) This subsection applies to a county to which IC 3-6-5.2 or

IC 3-6-5.6 applies. As an alternative to voting by mail, a voter is

entitled to cast an absentee ballot before an absentee voter board at any



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of the following:

1	(1) The office of the board of elections and registration.
2	(2) A satellite office established under section 26.3 of this
3	chapter.
4	(c) Except for a location designated under subsection (a)(1), a
5	location of the office of the circuit court clerk must be established as
6	a satellite office under section 26.3 of this chapter in order to be used
7	as a location at which a voter is entitled to cast an absentee ballot
8	before an absentee voter board under this section.
9	(d) The voter must do the following before being permitted to vote:
10	(1) This subdivision does not apply to a county that uses
11	electronic poll books for voting under this section. Sign an
12	application on the form prescribed by the election division under
13	IC 3-11-4-5.1. The application must be received by the circuit
14	court clerk not later than the time prescribed by IC 3-11-4-3.
15	(2) This subdivision applies only to a county that uses electronic
16	poll books for voting under this section and in which the ballot is
17	cast on an electronic voting system. The voter must do the
18	following:
19	(A) If the county election board has prescribed an affidavit
20	under subsection (e) that includes a unique identifier to
21	comply with section 26.2(c)(3) of this chapter, make and
22	subscribe to the affidavit.
23	(B) Sign the electronic poll book.
24	(C) Provide proof of identification.
25	(3) This subdivision applies only to a county that uses electronic
26	poll books for voting under this section and in which the ballot is
27	cast on an optical scan voting system. The voter must do the
28	following:
29	(A) Sign the electronic poll book.
30	(B) Provide proof of identification.
31	(C) Sign the affidavit prescribed by section 29 of this chapter.
32	(e) The county election board may:
33	(1) prescribe an affidavit that includes a unique identifier; or
34	(2) establish a procedure to produce a document, label, or
35	electronic record that is associated with each voter and includes
36	a unique identifier;
37	to comply with section 26.2(c)(3) of this chapter. After the county
38	election board approves an affidavit or procedure described in this
39	subsection and before the affidavit or procedure is used in an election,
40	the county election board shall file a copy of the affidavit or a brief
41	description of the procedure with the election division to assist the state

recount commission in conducting proceedings under IC 3-12-11.



- (f) The voter may vote before the board not more than twenty-eight (28) days nor later than noon on the day before election day. If the close of a voter registration period is transferred under IC 3-5-4-1.5 from twenty-nine (29) days to a later date due to the Columbus Day holiday, the voter may vote before the board on the first day following the day on which the voter registration period closes.
- (g) An absent uniformed services voter who is eligible to vote by absentee ballot in the circuit court clerk's office under IC 3-7-36-14 may vote before the board not earlier than twenty-eight (28) days before the election and not later than noon on election day. If the close of a voter registration period is transferred under IC 3-5-4-1.5 from twenty-nine (29) days to a later date due to the Columbus Day holiday, the voter may vote before the board on the first day following the day on which the voter registration period closes. If a voter described by this subsection wishes to cast an absentee ballot during the period beginning at noon on the day before election day and ending at noon on election day, the county election board or absentee voter board may receive and process the ballot at a location designated by resolution of the county election board.
- (h) The absentee voter board in the office of the circuit court clerk must permit voters to cast absentee ballots under this section for at least seven (7) hours on each of the two (2) Saturdays preceding election day. However, the county election board may adopt a resolution authorizing the circuit court clerk to:
  - (1) use the office of the circuit court clerk designated in subsection (a)(1); or
- (2) establish a satellite office under section 26.3 of this chapter; to permit voters to cast absentee ballots under this section for at least four (4) hours on the third Saturday preceding election day.
- (i) Notwithstanding subsection (h), in a county with a population of less than twenty thousand (20,000), the absentee voter board in the office of the circuit court clerk, with the approval of the county election board, may reduce the number of hours available to cast absentee ballots under this section to a minimum of four (4) hours on each of the two (2) Saturdays preceding election day.
- (j) As provided by 52 U.S.C. 21081, a voter casting an absentee ballot under this section must be:
  - (1) permitted to verify in a private and independent manner the votes selected by the voter before the ballot is cast and counted;
  - (2) provided with the opportunity to change the ballot or correct any error in a private and independent manner before the ballot is cast and counted, including the opportunity to receive a



1	replacement ballot if the voter is otherwise unable to change or
2	correct the ballot; and
3	(3) notified before the ballot is cast regarding the effect of casting
4	multiple votes for the office and provided an opportunity to
5	correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted.
6	(k) As provided by 52 U.S.C. 21081, when an absentee ballot is
7	provided under this section, the board must also provide the voter with:
8	(1) information concerning the effect of casting multiple votes for
9	an office; and
10	(2) instructions on how to correct the ballot before the ballot is
11	cast and counted, including the issuance of replacement ballots.
12	(l) If:
13	(1) the voter is unable or declines to present the proof of
14	identification; or
15	(2) a member of the board determines that the proof of
16	identification provided by the voter does not qualify as proof of
17	identification under IC 3-5-2-40.5;
18	the voter shall be permitted to cast a provisional ballot.
19	(m) This subsection applies to a voter who casts an absentee ballot
20	that is treated as a provisional ballot under subsection (1). The board
21	shall provide the voter, both orally and in writing, an explanation of
22	what actions, if any, the voter must take in order to have the voter's
23	ballot counted. The election division shall prescribe the form of the
24	explanation required by this subsection. The circuit court clerk shall
25 26	also provide the notice required by IC 3-11.7-6-4 to the voter.
26	(n) A voter casting an absentee ballot under this section is entitled
27	to cast the voter's ballot in accordance with IC 3-11-9.
28	(o) In a primary election, a voter casting an absentee ballot under
29	this chapter may not change the voter's choice of the voter's political
30	party after the voter has been mailed or otherwise provided with a
31	primary ballot containing the candidates of that party.
32	SECTION 8. IC 3-11-10-26.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
33	CODE AS A <b>NEW</b> SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
34	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 26.1. Voting before an absentee
35	voter board under section 26 of this chapter shall be referred to as
36	"early voting" on all forms prescribed by the election division and
37	in all communications with voters.
38	SECTION 9. IC 3-11-14-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.109-2021,
39	SECTION 48, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
10	UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) Except as provided in subsection

**subsections** (c) **and** (f), a county election board may use an approved electronic voting system:



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1	(1) in any election;
2	(2) in all or in some of the precincts within a political subdivision
3	holding an election; and
4	(3) instead of or in combination with any other voting method.
5	(b) A county election board may use an electronic voting system
6	which includes a voter verifiable paper audit trail if the voting system:
7	(1) otherwise complies with this chapter and IC 3-11-15; and
8	(2) is certified by the Indiana election commission.
9	(c) A county election board may not use an approved electronic
10	voting system purchased, leased, or otherwise acquired by the county
11	after December 31, 2019, unless the system:
12	(1) is certified by the Indiana election commission; and
13	(2) includes a voter-verifiable voter verifiable paper audit trail.
14	This subsection does not prohibit a county election board from having
15	maintenance performed on an electronic voting system purchased,
16	leased, or otherwise acquired by the county before January 1, 2020.
17	(d) The voter verifiable paper audit trail must contain all of the
18	following:
19	(1) The name or code of the election as provided by the voting
20	system.
21	(2) The date of the election.
22	(3) The date the voter verifiable paper audit trail was printed.
23	(4) A security code and record number specific to each paper
24	receipt assigned by the voting system.
25	(5) The name or designation of the voter's precinct.
26	(6) The name or designation of each office on the voter's ballot.
27	(7) The name of the candidate and the designation of the
28	candidate's political party selected by the voter.
29	(8) If the voter selects a straight party ticket, the name of the
30	political party ticket the voter selected.
31	(9) The following information:
32	(A) A description of the text of any public question or judicial
33	retention question on the voter's ballot that:
34	(i) contains not more than thirty (30) characters; and
35	(ii) the county election board determines reasonably conveys
36	the content of the public question or judicial retention
37	question.
38	(B) The response the voter selected for each question.
39	(e) The voter verifiable paper audit trail may contain additional
40	information and instructions determined to be useful to the voter by the
41	county election board subject to the design capabilities of the voter



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verifiable paper audit trail.

1	(f) This subsection applies to a country in which any direct
	(f) This subsection applies to a county in which any direct
2 3	record electronic voting system that does not include a voter
4	verifiable paper audit trail is used for an election. A county election board shall not use a direct record electronic voting system in an
5	election after July 1, 2022, unless the county election board:
6	(1) uses a number of direct record electronic voting systems
7	including a voter verifiable paper audit trail in the election
8	that is equal to or greater than ten percent (10%) of the total
9	number of direct record electronic voting systems owned,
10	leased, or otherwise available to the county as of January 1.
11	2022, and as of January 1 in each year thereafter;
12	(2) determines, not later than July 1, 2022, and January 1 of
13	each year thereafter, the minimum number of direct record
14	electronic voting systems including a voter verifiable paper
15	audit trail necessary to comply with the requirement of this
16	subsection; and
17	(3) files a certification of this determination to the secretary
18	of state not later than August 11, 2022, and February 11 of
19	each year thereafter.
20	SECTION 10. IC 3-11-15-13.3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193-2021.
21	SECTION 59, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
22	JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 13.3. (a) To be approved by the commission for
23	use in Indiana, a voting system must meet one (1) of the following:
24	(1) The Voting System Standards adopted by the Federal Election
25	Commission on April 30, 2002.
26	(2) The Voluntary Voting System Guidelines adopted by the
27	United States Election Assistance Commission on December 13.
28	2005.
29	(3) The Voluntary Voting System Guidelines adopted by the
30	United States Election Assistance Commission, as amended on
31	March 31, 2015.
32	(b) Except as provided in subsection (c), a county may continue to
33	use an optical scan ballot card voting system or an electronic voting
34	system whose approval or certification expired on or before October 1,
35	2021, if the voting system:
36	(1) was:
37	(A) approved by the commission for use in elections in Indiana
38	before October 1, 2021; and
39	(B) purchased or leased by the county before October 1, 2021;
40	and
41	(2) otherwise complies with the applicable provisions of HAVA
42	and this article.



- However, a voting system vendor may not market, sell, lease, or install a voting system described in this subsection.
- (c) A county may not continue to use an electronic voting system after <del>December 31, 2029, July 1, 2024, unless the:</del>
  - (1) system includes a voter verifiable paper audit trail; and
  - (2) certification of that system by the commission has not expired.
- (d) As provided by 52 U.S.C. 21081, to be used in an election in Indiana, a voting system must be accessible for individuals with disabilities, including nonvisual accessibility for the blind and visually impaired, in a manner that provides the same opportunity for access and participation (including privacy and independence) as for other voters.
- (e) As provided by 52 U.S.C. 21081, an election board conducting an election satisfies the requirements of subsection (d) if the election board provides at least one (1) electronic voting system or other voting system equipped for individuals with disabilities at each polling place.
- (f) If a voter who is otherwise qualified to cast a ballot in a precinct chooses to cast the voter's ballot on the voting system provided under subsection (e), the voter must be allowed to cast the voter's ballot on that voting system, whether or not the voter is an individual with disabilities.
- SECTION 11. IC 3-11.7-2-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193-2021, SECTION 76, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 2. (a) A provisional voter shall do the following:
  - (1) Execute the affidavit described in IC 3-10-1-9 or IC 3-11-8-23.
  - (2) Sign the poll list.
  - (3) Mark the ballot in the presence of no other person, unless the voter requests help in marking a ballot under IC 3-11-9.
  - (4) Fold each ballot separately.
  - (5) Fold each ballot so as to conceal the marking.
  - (6) Enclose each ballot, with the seal and signature of the circuit court clerk on the outside, together with any unused ballot, in the envelope provided by the county election board under IC 3-11.7-1-8.
  - (7) Securely seal the envelope.
- (b) A provisional voter may mark a ballot with a pen or a lead pencil.
- (c) This subsection applies to a provisional voter described in section 1(a)(1), 1(a)(2), or 1(a)(3) of this chapter. As provided by 52 U.S.C. 21082, a precinct election officer shall give the provisional voter a copy of the written instructions prescribed by the county



1	election board under IC 3-11.7-6-3 after the voter returns the envelope
2	containing the provisional voter's ballots.
3	(d) This subsection applies to a provisional voter described in
4	section 1(a) or 1(b) of this chapter. In addition to the written
5	instructions required by subsection (c), a precinct election officer shall
6	provide the provisional voter, both orally and in writing, an explanation
7	of what actions, if any, the provisional voter must take in order to have
8	the provisional voter's ballot counted. The election division shall
9	prescribe the form of the explanation required by this subsection. The
10	circuit court clerk shall also provide the notice required by
11	IC 3-11.7-6-4 to the provisional voter.
12	SECTION 12. IC 3-11.7-6-4 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
13	1, 2022]. Sec. 4. (a) Not later than three (3) calendar days after election
14	day, the circuit court clerk shall provide a notice containing the
15	following information to each voter who casts a provisional ballot:
16	(1) The reason or reasons that the voter's ballot is being treated as
17	a provisional ballot.
18	(2) A description of what actions, if any, the provisional voter
19	must take in order to have the provisional voter's ballot counted
20	under this article.
21	(3) The deadlines by which the provisional voter is required to
22	take any actions described in subdivision (2) in order to have the
23	provisional voter's ballot counted under this article.
24	(4) The following information that will enable the provisional
25	voter to inquire about the provisional voter's ballot:
26	(A) The name of the office that the provisional voter may
27	<del>contact.</del>
28	(B) The address of the office described in clause (A).
29	(C) The telephone number at the office described in clause (A)
30	that the voter may use to contact the office about the voter's
31	<del>provisional ballot.</del>
32	(D) Any other information the circuit court clerk considers
33	useful to provide assistance to the provisional voter in
34	inquiring about the provisional ballot.
35	(b) The notice required by subsection (a) must be:
36	(1) sent by first class United States mail; or
37	(2) given by another method the circuit court clerk determines
38	will provide actual notice to the voter.
39	(c) The notice required by subsection (a) must be in a form
10	prescribed by the election division.
<b>1</b> 1	SECTION 13. IC 3-12-13-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.34-2019,

SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE



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SECTION 14. IC 3-12-13-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.34-2019, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 4. (a) The secretary of state may designate counties as risk-limiting post-election audit pilot counties.

- (b) For a county to be designated as a risk-limiting post-election audit pilot county, the county election board must adopt a resolution requesting the secretary of state to designate the county as a risk-limiting post-election audit pilot county.
- (c) In designating a county as a risk-limiting post-election audit pilot county, the secretary of state shall seek to designate a variety of counties as pilot post-election audit counties based on the number of active voters within the county.
- (d) A county designated as a risk-limiting post-election audit pilot county shall conduct risk-limiting post-election audits as provided in this chapter.

SECTION 15. IC 3-12-13-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.135-2020, SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 5. (a) The secretary of state shall determine the **number of** elections that are subject to a <del>risk-limiting</del> **post-election** audit.

(b) All contested elections for an elected office and all public questions are eligible for designation under subsection (a) for a risk-limiting post-election audit.

SECTION 16. IC 3-12-13-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193-2021, SECTION 97, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 6. (a) The secretary of state may waive the requirement of section 5 of this chapter, after a written request by a county election board.

(b) The secretary of state may waive the requirement of section 5 of this chapter only if the county election board shows that the technology in use by the county will not enable the county election board to satisfy the requirements for a risk-limiting post-election audit for an election.

SECTION 17. IC 3-12-13-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.135-2020, SECTION 12, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 7. (a) The secretary of state shall issue orders to implement and administer the requirements of this chapter.

(b) In issuing an order under subsection (a), the secretary of state



1	shall:
2	(1) consult with recognized statistical experts, equipment vendors,
3	the election division, and county election officials; and
4	(2) consider best practices for conducting risk-limiting
5	post-election audits.
5	SECTION 18. An emergency is declared for this act



### COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Elections and Apportionment, to which was referred House Bill 1116, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, delete lines 1 through 17, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 1. IC 3-11-14-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.109-2021, SECTION 48, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) Except as provided in subsection subsections (c) and (f), a county election board may use an approved electronic voting system:

- (1) in any election;
- (2) in all or in some of the precincts within a political subdivision holding an election; and
- (3) instead of or in combination with any other voting method.
- (b) A county election board may use an electronic voting system which includes a voter verifiable paper audit trail if the voting system:
  - (1) otherwise complies with this chapter and IC 3-11-15; and
  - (2) is certified by the Indiana election commission.
- (c) A county election board may not use an approved electronic voting system purchased, leased, or otherwise acquired by the county after December 31, 2019, unless the system:
  - (1) is certified by the Indiana election commission; and
- (2) includes a voter-verifiable voter verifiable paper audit trail. This subsection does not prohibit a county election board from having maintenance performed on an electronic voting system purchased, leased, or otherwise acquired by the county before January 1, 2020.
- (d) The voter verifiable paper audit trail must contain all of the following:
  - (1) The name or code of the election as provided by the voting system.
  - (2) The date of the election.
  - (3) The date the voter verifiable paper audit trail was printed.
  - (4) A security code and record number specific to each paper receipt assigned by the voting system.
  - (5) The name or designation of the voter's precinct.
  - (6) The name or designation of each office on the voter's ballot.
  - (7) The name of the candidate and the designation of the candidate's political party selected by the voter.
  - (8) If the voter selects a straight party ticket, the name of the political party ticket the voter selected.



- (9) The following information:
  - (A) A description of the text of any public question or judicial retention question on the voter's ballot that:
    - (i) contains not more than thirty (30) characters; and
    - (ii) the county election board determines reasonably conveys the content of the public question or judicial retention question.
  - (B) The response the voter selected for each question.
- (e) The voter verifiable paper audit trail may contain additional information and instructions determined to be useful to the voter by the county election board subject to the design capabilities of the voter verifiable paper audit trail.
- (f) This subsection applies to a county in which any direct record electronic voting system that does not include a voter verifiable paper audit trail is used for an election. A county election board shall not use a direct record electronic voting system in an election after July 1, 2022, unless the county election board:
  - (1) uses a number of direct record electronic voting systems including a voter verifiable paper audit trail in the election that is equal to or greater than ten percent (10%) of the total number of direct record electronic voting systems owned, leased, or otherwise available to the county as of January 1, 2022, and as of January 1 in each year thereafter;
  - (2) determines, not later than July 1, 2022, and January 1 of each year thereafter, the minimum number of direct record electronic voting systems including a voter verifiable paper audit trail necessary to comply with the requirement of this subsection; and
  - (3) files a certification of this determination to the secretary of state not later than August 11, 2022, and February 11 of each year thereafter."

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 32.

Page 3, after line 34, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 3. An emergency is declared for this act.".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1116 as introduced.)

**WESCO** 

Committee Vote: yeas 11, nays 0.



### COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred House Bill 1116, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 1. IC 3-5-4-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193-2021, SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 12. (a) This section applies only if the costs to a county to enter into an agreement required by this section can be paid from money:

- (1) received from the federal government and permitted to be spent for this purpose; or
- (2) appropriated by the general assembly for this purpose.
- (a) (b) Each county shall enter into an agreement with the secretary of state to use a threat intelligence and enterprise security company designated by the secretary of state to provide hardware, software, and services to:
  - (1) investigate cybersecurity attacks;
  - (2) protect against malicious software; and
  - (3) analyze information technology security risks.
- (b) (c) The agreement to provide services to a county under this section:
  - (1) has no effect on any threat intelligence and enterprise security service provided to the county by any other agreement with a provider or by any county employee or contractor; and
  - (2) must be designed to complement any existing service agreement or service used by the county;

when the county enters into the agreement.

(d) This section expires January 1, <del>2023.</del> 2028.

SECTION 2. IC 3-11-4-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.278-2019, SECTION 62, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 2. (a) A voter who wants to vote by absentee ballot must apply to the county election board for an official absentee ballot. Except as provided in subsection (b), the voter must sign the absentee ballot application.

(b) If a voter with disabilities is unable to sign the absentee ballot application and the voter has not designated an individual to serve as attorney in fact for the voter, the voter may designate an individual eligible to assist the voter under IC 3-11-9-2(a) to sign the application



on behalf of the voter and add the individual's name to the application. If an individual applies for an absentee ballot as the properly authorized attorney in fact for a voter, the attorney in fact must attach a copy of the power of attorney to the application and comply with subsection (d).

- (c) A person may provide an individual with an application for an absentee ballot with the following information already printed or otherwise set forth on the application when provided to the individual:
  - (1) The name of the individual.
  - (2) The voter registration address of the individual.
  - (3) The mailing address of the individual.
  - (4) The date of birth of the individual.
- (d) A person may not provide an individual with an application for an absentee ballot with the following information already printed or otherwise set forth on the application when provided to the individual:
  - (1) The address to which the absentee ballot would be mailed, if different from the voter registration address of the individual.
  - (2) In a primary election, the major political party ballot requested by the individual.
  - (3) In a primary or general election, the types of absentee ballots requested by the individual.
  - (4) The reason why the individual is entitled to vote an absentee ballot:
    - (A) by mail; or
    - (B) before an absentee voter board (other than an absentee voter board located in the office of the circuit court clerk or a satellite office);
  - in accordance with IC 3-11-4-18, IC 3-11-10-24, or IC 3-11-10-25.
  - (5) The voter identification number of the individual.
- (e) If the county election board determines that an absentee ballot application does not comply with subsection (d), the board shall deny the application under section 17.5 of this chapter.
- (f) This subsection applies only to an absentee ballot application submitted in an electronic format using a module of the computerized list under IC 3-7-26.3. In order for an individual to access the absentee ballot application, the individual shall provide either of the following:
  - (1) The individual's ten (10) digit Indiana driver's license number.
  - (2) The last four (4) digits of the individual's Social Security number.



- (f) (g) A person who assists an individual in completing any information described in subsection (d) on an absentee ballot application shall state under the penalties for perjury the following information on the application:
  - (1) The full name, residence and mailing address, and daytime and evening telephone numbers (if any) of the person providing the assistance.
  - (2) The date this assistance was provided.
  - (3) That the person providing the assistance has complied with Indiana laws governing the submission of absentee ballot applications.
  - (4) That the person has no knowledge or reason to believe that the individual submitting the application:
    - (A) is ineligible to vote or to cast an absentee ballot; or
    - (B) did not properly complete and sign the application.

When providing assistance to an individual, the person must, in the individual's presence and with the individual's consent, provide the information listed in subsection (d) if the individual is unable to do so.

- (g) (h) This subsection does not apply to an employee of the United States Postal Service or a bonded courier company acting in the individual's capacity as an employee of the United States Postal Service or a bonded courier company. A person who receives a completed absentee ballot application from the individual who has applied for the absentee ballot shall indicate on the application the date the person received the application, and file the application with the appropriate county election board or election division not later than:
  - (1) noon ten (10) days after the person receives the application; or
  - (2) the deadline set by Indiana law for filing the application with the board;

whichever occurs first. The election division, a county election board, or a board of elections and registration shall forward an absentee ballot application to the county election board or board of elections and registration of the county where the individual resides.

(h) (i) This subsection does not apply to an employee of the United States Postal Service or a bonded courier company acting in the individual's capacity as an employee of the United States Postal Service or a bonded courier company, or to the election division, a county election board, or a board of elections and registration. A person filing an absentee ballot application, other than the person's own absentee ballot application, must include an affidavit with the application. The affidavit must be signed by the individual who received the completed



application from the applicant. The affidavit must be in a form prescribed by the election division. The form must include the following:

- (1) A statement of the full name, residence and mailing address, and daytime and evening telephone numbers (if any) of the person submitting the application.
- (2) A statement that the person filing the affidavit has complied with Indiana laws governing the submission of absentee ballot applications.
- (3) The date (or dates) that the absentee ballot applications attached to the affidavit were received.
- (4) A statement that the person has no knowledge or reason to believe that the individual whose application is to be filed:
  - (A) is ineligible to vote or to cast an absentee ballot; or
  - (B) did not properly complete and sign the application.
- (5) A statement that the person is executing the affidavit under the penalties of perjury.
- (6) A statement setting forth the penalties for perjury.
- (i) (j) The county election board shall record the date and time of the filing of the affidavit.

SECTION 3. IC 3-11-4-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.109-2021, SECTION 20, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 3. (a) Except as provided in subsection (c) and section 6 of this chapter, an application for an absentee ballot must be received by the circuit court clerk (or, in a county subject to IC 3-6-5.2 or IC 3-6-5.6, the director of the board of elections and registration) not earlier than the date the registration period resumes under IC 3-7-13-10 nor later than the following:

- (1) Noon on election day if the voter registers to vote under IC 3-7-36-14.
- (2) Noon on the day before election day if the voter:
  - (A) completes the application in the office of the circuit court clerk under IC 3-11-10-26; or
  - (B) is an absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter who requests that the ballot be transmitted by electronic mail or fax under section 6(h) of this chapter.
- (3) Noon on the day before election day if:
  - (A) the application is a mailed, transmitted by electronic mail, or fax, or hand delivered application from a confined voter or voter caring for a confined person; and
  - (B) the applicant requests that the absentee ballots be delivered to the applicant by an absentee voter board under



IC 3-11-10-25.

- (4) 11:59 p.m. twelve (12) days before election day if the application is:
  - (A) a mailed application;
  - (B) transmitted by electronic mail;
  - (C) transmitted by fax; or
  - (D) hand delivered;

from other voters who request to vote by mail under IC 3-11-10-24.

- (b) An application for an absentee ballot received by the election division by the time and date specified by subsection (a)(2)(B), (a)(3), or (a)(4) is considered to have been timely received for purposes of processing by the county. The election division shall immediately transmit the application to the circuit court clerk, or the director of the board of elections and registration, of the county where the applicant resides. The election division is not required to complete or file the affidavit required under section  $\frac{2(h)}{2(i)}$  of this chapter whenever the election division transmits an application under this subsection.
- (c) An application for an absentee ballot for the election may not be received by the circuit court clerk (or, in a county subject to IC 3-6-5.2 or IC 3-6-5.6, the director of the board of elections and registration) earlier than December 1 of the year before the election.

SECTION 4. IC 3-11-4-5.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193-2021, SECTION 37, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 5.1. (a) The election division shall prescribe the form of an application for an absentee ballot.

- (b) This subsection does not apply to the form for an absentee ballot application to be submitted by an absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter that contains a standardized oath for those voters. The form of the application for an absentee ballot must do all of the following:
  - (1) Require the applicant to swear to or affirm under the penalties of perjury that all of the information set forth on the application is true to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief.
  - (2) Require a person who assisted with the completion of the application to swear to or affirm under the penalties of perjury the statements set forth in section  $\frac{2(f)}{2(g)}$  of this chapter.
  - (3) Serve as a verified statement for a voter to indicate a change of name under IC 3-7-41. The form must require the applicant to indicate the applicant's previous name.
  - (4) Set forth the penalties for perjury.
  - (c) The form prescribed by the election division shall require that a



voter who:

- (1) requests an absentee ballot; and
- (2) is eligible to vote in the precinct under IC 3-10-11 or IC 3-10-12;

must include the affidavit required by IC 3-10-11 or a written affirmation described in IC 3-10-12.

- (d) The election division shall approve absentee ballot application forms that comply with this subsection and section  $\frac{2(g)}{2(h)}$  of this chapter and permit the applicant to indicate a change of name under subsection (b). The form prescribed by the election division must request that a voter who requests an absentee ballot:
  - (1) provide the last four (4) digits of the voter's Social Security number; or
- (2) state that the voter does not have a Social Security number. The form must indicate that the voter's compliance with this request is optional.
- (e) An application form submitted by a voter must comply with subsection (d).
- (f) The form prescribed by the election division must include a statement that permits an applicant to indicate whether:
  - (1) the applicant has been certified and is currently a participant in the address confidentiality program under IC 5-26.5-2; and
  - (2) the applicant's legal address is the address set forth in the applicant's voter registration.

If the applicant confirms these statements, the applicant may indicate the address of the office of the attorney general as the address to which the absentee ballot is to be mailed.

- (g) This subsection applies to an application to receive an absentee ballot:
  - (1) by mail under IC 3-11-10-24; or
  - (2) in the form of an application to vote before an absentee voter board under IC 3-11-10-25 at the voter's place of confinement or the residence of the voter.

If the voter wishes to submit an application under this section in an electronic format using a module of the statewide voter registration system, the voter must include a telephone number at which the voter can be reached to submit the application.

(h) The application form for an absentee ballot must enable the applicant to provide the applicant's electronic mail address. However, an applicant's failure to provide an electronic mail address is not a reason for denial of the absentee ballot application.

SECTION 5. IC 3-11-8-25.2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193-2021,



SECTION 42, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 25.2. (a) The poll clerk or assistant poll clerk shall examine the list provided under IC 3-7-29-1 to determine if the county election board has indicated that the voter is required to provide additional personal identification under 52 U.S.C. 21083 and IC 3-7-33-4.5 before voting in person. If the list indicates that the voter is required to present this identification before voting in person, the poll clerk shall advise the voter that the voter must present, in addition to the proof of identification required by section 25.1(a) of this chapter, a piece of identification described in subsection (b) to the poll clerk.

- (b) As required by 52 U.S.C. 21083, and in addition to the proof of identification required by section 25.1(a) of this chapter, a voter described by IC 3-7-33-4.5 who has not complied with IC 3-7-33-4.5 before appearing at the polls on election day must present one (1) of the following documents to the poll clerk:
  - (1) A current and valid photo identification.
  - (2) A current utility bill.
  - (3) A current bank statement.
  - (4) A current government check.
  - (5) A current paycheck.
  - (6) A current government document.

The document presented by the voter must show the name and residence address of the voter.

- (c) If a voter presents a document under subsection (b), the poll clerk shall add a notation to the list indicating the type of document presented by the voter. The election division shall prescribe a standardized coding system to classify documents presented under this subsection for entry into the county voter registration system.
- (d) If a voter required to present documentation under subsection (b) is unable to present the documentation to the poll clerk while present in the polls, the poll clerk shall notify the precinct election board. The board shall provide a provisional ballot to the voter under IC 3-11.7-2.
- (e) The precinct election board shall advise the voter, both orally and in writing, that the voter may file a copy of the documentation with the county voter registration office to permit the provisional ballot to be counted under IC 3-11.7. The election division shall prescribe the form of the explanation required by this subsection.
- (f) The circuit court clerk shall provide the notice required by IC 3-11.7-6-4 to a voter who casts a provisional ballot under this section.

SECTION 6. IC 3-11-10-24, AS AMENDED BY P.L.109-2021, SECTION 30, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE



- JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 24. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), a voter who satisfies any of the following is entitled to vote by mail:
  - (1) The voter has a specific, reasonable expectation of being absent from the county during the period of time a voter may vote by absentee ballot before the board (as described in section 26 of this chapter) and on election day during the entire twelve (12) hours that the polls are open.
  - (2) The voter will be absent from the precinct of the voter's residence during the period of time a voter may vote by absentee ballot before the board (as described in section 26 of this chapter) and on election day, because of service as:
    - (A) a precinct election officer under IC 3-6-6;
    - (B) a watcher under IC 3-6-8, IC 3-6-9, or IC 3-6-10;
    - (C) a challenger or pollbook holder under IC 3-6-7; or
    - (D) a person employed by an election board to administer the election for which the absentee ballot is requested.
  - (3) The voter will be confined during the period of time a voter may vote by absentee ballot before the board (as described in section 26 of this chapter) and on election day during the entire twelve (12) hours that the polls are open to the voter's residence, to a health care facility, or to a hospital because of an illness or injury. during the entire twelve (12) hours that the polls are open.
  - (4) The voter is a voter with disabilities.
  - (5) The voter is an elderly voter.
  - (6) The voter is prevented from voting due to the voter's care of an individual confined to a private residence because of illness or injury during the period of time a voter may vote by absentee ballot before the board (as described in section 26 of this chapter) and during the entire twelve (12) hours that the polls are open.
  - (7) The voter is scheduled to work at the person's regular place of employment during the period of time a voter may vote by absentee ballot before the board (as described in section 26 of this chapter) and during the entire twelve (12) hours that the polls are open.
  - (8) The voter is eligible to vote under IC 3-10-11 or IC 3-10-12.
  - (9) The voter is prevented from voting due to observance of a religious discipline or religious holiday during the period of time a voter may vote by absentee ballot before the board (as described in section 26 of this chapter) and during the entire twelve (12) hours that the polls are open.



- (10) The voter is an address confidentiality program participant (as defined in IC 5-26.5-1-6).
- (11) The voter is a member of the Indiana National Guard deployed or on assignment inside Indiana or a public safety officer.
- (12) The voter is a serious sex offender (as defined in IC 35-42-4-14(a)).
- (13) The voter is prevented from voting due to the unavailability of transportation to the polls.
- (b) An absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter is entitled to vote by mail using the combined absentee registration form and absentee ballot request approved under 52 U.S.C. 20301(b)(2).
- (c) A county shall mail an absentee ballot to a voter under this section by nonforwardable United States Postal Service mail.
- (d) Except as provided in subsection (l), a voter with disabilities who:
  - (1) is unable to make a voting mark on the ballot or sign the absentee ballot secrecy envelope; and
  - (2) requests that the absentee ballot be delivered to an address within Indiana;

must vote before an absentee voter board under section 25(b) of this chapter.

- (e) If a voter receives an absentee ballot by mail, the voter shall personally mark the ballot in secret and seal the marked ballot inside the envelope provided by the county election board for that purpose. The voter shall:
  - (1) deposit the sealed envelope in the United States mail for delivery to the county election board; or
  - (2) authorize a member of the voter's household, family listed in IC 3-6-6-7(a)(4), or the individual designated as the voter's attorney in fact to:
    - (A) deposit the sealed envelope in the United States mail; or
    - (B) deliver the sealed envelope in person to the county election board at:
      - (i) the office of the circuit court clerk or the office of the board of elections and registration under section 26 of this chapter:
      - (ii) a satellite office of the circuit court clerk designated under section 26.3 of this chapter; or
    - (iii) a satellite office of a vote center under IC 3-11-18.1-11. A voter who delivers the sealed envelope under this clause may request a replacement absentee ballot under IC 3-11.5-4-2



and cast a replacement absentee ballot at an office or vote center described in items (i) through (iii).

- (f) A county election board shall reject an absentee ballot deposited in a drop box or other container or location that is not under the physical control and supervision of the county election board when the ballot is deposited.
- (g) If a drop box or other container is located in a building under the control of a political subdivision in which a document may be deposited for other purposes related to the office of the circuit court clerk or an office of any other political subdivision, the political subdivision in control of the drop box or container shall post a notice on or in a prominent location adjacent to the drop box or container saying substantially as follows: "Do not deposit a voted absentee ballot into this box or container. The absentee ballot will not be counted."
- (h) If an absentee ballot is deposited into a box or container in violation of subsection (f) or (g), the county election board shall mark the absentee ballot security envelope as rejected and, if possible, promptly notify the individual whose name appears on the security envelope containing the absentee ballot.
- (i) If a member of the voter's household, family listed in IC 3-6-6-7(a)(4), or the voter's attorney in fact delivers the sealed envelope containing a voter's absentee ballot to the county election board, the individual delivering the ballot shall complete an affidavit in a form prescribed by the election division. The affidavit must contain the following information:
  - (1) The name and residence address of the voter whose absentee ballot is being delivered.
  - (2) A statement of the full name, residence and mailing address, and daytime and evening telephone numbers (if any) of the individual delivering the absentee ballot.
  - (3) A statement indicating whether the individual delivering the absentee ballot is a member of the voter's household, family listed in IC 3-6-6-7(a)(4), or is the attorney in fact for the voter. If the individual is the attorney in fact for the voter, the individual must attach a copy of the power of attorney for the voter, unless a copy of this document has already been filed with the county election board.
  - (4) The date and location at which the absentee ballot was delivered by the voter to the individual delivering the ballot to the county election board.
  - (5) A statement that the individual delivering the absentee ballot has complied with Indiana laws governing absentee ballots.



- (6) A statement that the individual delivering the absentee ballot is executing the affidavit under the penalties of perjury.
- (7) A statement setting forth the penalties for perjury.
- (j) The county election board shall record the date and time that the affidavit under subsection (i) was filed with the board.
- (k) After a voter has mailed or delivered an absentee ballot to the office of the county election board, the voter may not recast a ballot, except as provided in IC 3-11-4-17.7, IC 3-11.5-4-2, and IC 3-11.5-4-21.
- (l) A voter with print disabilities may vote by using the system developed by the secretary of state under IC 3-11-4-6(k).

SECTION 7. IC 3-11-10-26, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193-2021, SECTION 45, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 26. (a) This subsection applies to all counties, except for a county to which IC 3-6-5.2 or IC 3-6-5.6 applies. As an alternative to voting by mail, a voter is entitled to cast an absentee ballot before an absentee voter board at any of the following:

- (1) One (1) location of the office of the circuit court clerk designated by the circuit court clerk.
- (2) A satellite office established under section 26.3 of this chapter.
- (b) This subsection applies to a county to which IC 3-6-5.2 or IC 3-6-5.6 applies. As an alternative to voting by mail, a voter is entitled to cast an absentee ballot before an absentee voter board at any of the following:
  - (1) The office of the board of elections and registration.
  - (2) A satellite office established under section 26.3 of this chapter.
- (c) Except for a location designated under subsection (a)(1), a location of the office of the circuit court clerk must be established as a satellite office under section 26.3 of this chapter in order to be used as a location at which a voter is entitled to cast an absentee ballot before an absentee voter board under this section.
  - (d) The voter must do the following before being permitted to vote:
    - (1) This subdivision does not apply to a county that uses electronic poll books for voting under this section. Sign an application on the form prescribed by the election division under IC 3-11-4-5.1. The application must be received by the circuit court clerk not later than the time prescribed by IC 3-11-4-3.
    - (2) This subdivision applies only to a county that uses electronic poll books for voting under this section and in which the ballot is cast on an electronic voting system. The voter must do the



following:

- (A) If the county election board has prescribed an affidavit under subsection (e) that includes a unique identifier to comply with section 26.2(c)(3) of this chapter, make and subscribe to the affidavit.
- (B) Sign the electronic poll book.
- (C) Provide proof of identification.
- (3) This subdivision applies only to a county that uses electronic poll books for voting under this section and in which the ballot is cast on an optical scan voting system. The voter must do the following:
  - (A) Sign the electronic poll book.
  - (B) Provide proof of identification.
  - (C) Sign the affidavit prescribed by section 29 of this chapter.
- (e) The county election board may:
  - (1) prescribe an affidavit that includes a unique identifier; or
  - (2) establish a procedure to produce a document, label, or electronic record that is associated with each voter and includes a unique identifier;

to comply with section 26.2(c)(3) of this chapter. After the county election board approves an affidavit or procedure described in this subsection and before the affidavit or procedure is used in an election, the county election board shall file a copy of the affidavit or a brief description of the procedure with the election division to assist the state recount commission in conducting proceedings under IC 3-12-11.

- (f) The voter may vote before the board not more than twenty-eight (28) days nor later than noon on the day before election day. If the close of a voter registration period is transferred under IC 3-5-4-1.5 from twenty-nine (29) days to a later date due to the Columbus Day holiday, the voter may vote before the board on the first day following the day on which the voter registration period closes.
- (g) An absent uniformed services voter who is eligible to vote by absentee ballot in the circuit court clerk's office under IC 3-7-36-14 may vote before the board not earlier than twenty-eight (28) days before the election and not later than noon on election day. If the close of a voter registration period is transferred under IC 3-5-4-1.5 from twenty-nine (29) days to a later date due to the Columbus Day holiday, the voter may vote before the board on the first day following the day on which the voter registration period closes. If a voter described by this subsection wishes to cast an absentee ballot during the period beginning at noon on the day before election day and ending at noon on election day, the county election board or absentee voter board may



receive and process the ballot at a location designated by resolution of the county election board.

- (h) The absentee voter board in the office of the circuit court clerk must permit voters to cast absentee ballots under this section for at least seven (7) hours on each of the two (2) Saturdays preceding election day. However, the county election board may adopt a resolution authorizing the circuit court clerk to:
  - (1) use the office of the circuit court clerk designated in subsection (a)(1); or
- (2) establish a satellite office under section 26.3 of this chapter; to permit voters to cast absentee ballots under this section for at least four (4) hours on the third Saturday preceding election day.
- (i) Notwithstanding subsection (h), in a county with a population of less than twenty thousand (20,000), the absentee voter board in the office of the circuit court clerk, with the approval of the county election board, may reduce the number of hours available to cast absentee ballots under this section to a minimum of four (4) hours on each of the two (2) Saturdays preceding election day.
- (j) As provided by 52 U.S.C. 21081, a voter casting an absentee ballot under this section must be:
  - (1) permitted to verify in a private and independent manner the votes selected by the voter before the ballot is cast and counted;
  - (2) provided with the opportunity to change the ballot or correct any error in a private and independent manner before the ballot is cast and counted, including the opportunity to receive a replacement ballot if the voter is otherwise unable to change or correct the ballot; and
  - (3) notified before the ballot is cast regarding the effect of casting multiple votes for the office and provided an opportunity to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted.
- (k) As provided by 52 U.S.C. 21081, when an absentee ballot is provided under this section, the board must also provide the voter with:
  - (1) information concerning the effect of casting multiple votes for an office; and
  - (2) instructions on how to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted, including the issuance of replacement ballots.
  - (1) If
    - (1) the voter is unable or declines to present the proof of identification; or
    - (2) a member of the board determines that the proof of identification provided by the voter does not qualify as proof of identification under IC 3-5-2-40.5;



the voter shall be permitted to cast a provisional ballot.

- (m) This subsection applies to a voter who casts an absentee ballot that is treated as a provisional ballot under subsection (l). The board shall provide the voter, both orally and in writing, an explanation of what actions, if any, the voter must take in order to have the voter's ballot counted. The election division shall prescribe the form of the explanation required by this subsection. The eircuit court elerk shall also provide the notice required by IC 3-11.7-6-4 to the voter.
- (n) A voter casting an absentee ballot under this section is entitled to cast the voter's ballot in accordance with IC 3-11-9.
- (o) In a primary election, a voter casting an absentee ballot under this chapter may not change the voter's choice of the voter's political party after the voter has been mailed or otherwise provided with a primary ballot containing the candidates of that party.

SECTION 8. IC 3-11-10-26.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: **Sec. 26.1. Voting before an absentee voter board under section 26 of this chapter shall be referred to as "early voting" on all forms prescribed by the election division and in all communications with voters."** 

Page 3, delete lines 8 through 42.

Page 4, delete lines 1 through 9, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 10. IC 3-11.7-2-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193-2021, SECTION 76, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 2. (a) A provisional voter shall do the following:

- (1) Execute the affidavit described in IC 3-10-1-9 or IC 3-11-8-23.
- (2) Sign the poll list.
- (3) Mark the ballot in the presence of no other person, unless the voter requests help in marking a ballot under IC 3-11-9.
- (4) Fold each ballot separately.
- (5) Fold each ballot so as to conceal the marking.
- (6) Enclose each ballot, with the seal and signature of the circuit court clerk on the outside, together with any unused ballot, in the envelope provided by the county election board under IC 3-11.7-1-8.
- (7) Securely seal the envelope.
- (b) A provisional voter may mark a ballot with a pen or a lead pencil.
- (c) This subsection applies to a provisional voter described in section 1(a)(1), 1(a)(2), or 1(a)(3) of this chapter. As provided by 52 U.S.C. 21082, a precinct election officer shall give the provisional



voter a copy of the written instructions prescribed by the county election board under IC 3-11.7-6-3 after the voter returns the envelope containing the provisional voter's ballots.

(d) This subsection applies to a provisional voter described in section 1(a) or 1(b) of this chapter. In addition to the written instructions required by subsection (c), a precinct election officer shall provide the provisional voter, both orally and in writing, an explanation of what actions, if any, the provisional voter must take in order to have the provisional voter's ballot counted. The election division shall prescribe the form of the explanation required by this subsection. The circuit court clerk shall also provide the notice required by IC 3-11.7-6-4 to the provisional voter:

SECTION 11. IC 3-11.7-6-4 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]. Sec. 4. (a) Not later than three (3) calendar days after election day, the circuit court clerk shall provide a notice containing the following information to each voter who casts a provisional ballot:

- (1) The reason or reasons that the voter's ballot is being treated as a provisional ballot.
- (2) A description of what actions, if any, the provisional voter must take in order to have the provisional voter's ballot counted under this article.
- (3) The deadlines by which the provisional voter is required to take any actions described in subdivision (2) in order to have the provisional voter's ballot counted under this article.
- (4) The following information that will enable the provisional voter to inquire about the provisional voter's ballot:
  - (A) The name of the office that the provisional voter may contact.
  - (B) The address of the office described in clause (A).
  - (C) The telephone number at the office described in clause (A) that the voter may use to contact the office about the voter's provisional ballot.
  - (D) Any other information the circuit court clerk considers useful to provide assistance to the provisional voter in inquiring about the provisional ballot.
- (b) The notice required by subsection (a) must be:
  - (1) sent by first class United States mail; or
  - (2) given by another method the circuit court clerk determines will provide actual notice to the voter.
- (c) The notice required by subsection (a) must be in a form prescribed by the election division.

SECTION 12. IC 3-12-13-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.34-2019,



SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "risk-limiting "post-election audit" means an audit protocol that makes use of statistical methods and is designed to limit to acceptable levels the risk of certifying a preliminary election outcome that constitutes an incorrect outcome.

SECTION 13. IC 3-12-13-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.34-2019, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 4. (a) The secretary of state may designate counties as risk-limiting post-election audit pilot counties.

- (b) For a county to be designated as a risk-limiting post-election audit pilot county, the county election board must adopt a resolution requesting the secretary of state to designate the county as a risk-limiting post-election audit pilot county.
- (c) In designating a county as a risk-limiting post-election audit pilot county, the secretary of state shall seek to designate a variety of counties as pilot post-election audit counties based on the number of active voters within the county.
- (d) A county designated as a risk-limiting post-election audit pilot county shall conduct risk-limiting post-election audits as provided in this chapter.

SECTION 14. IC 3-12-13-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.135-2020, SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 5. (a) The secretary of state shall determine the **number of** elections that are subject to a <del>risk-limiting</del> **post-election** audit.

(b) All contested elections for an elected office and all public questions are eligible for designation under subsection (a) for a risk-limiting post-election audit.

SECTION 15. IC 3-12-13-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193-2021, SECTION 97, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 6. (a) The secretary of state may waive the requirement of section 5 of this chapter, after a written request by a county election board.

(b) The secretary of state may waive the requirement of section 5 of this chapter only if the county election board shows that the technology in use by the county will not enable the county election board to satisfy the requirements for a risk-limiting post-election audit for an election.

SECTION 16. IC 3-12-13-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.135-2020, SECTION 12, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 7. (a) The secretary of state shall issue orders to implement and administer the requirements of this chapter.



- (b) In issuing an order under subsection (a), the secretary of state shall:
  - (1) consult with recognized statistical experts, equipment vendors, the election division, and county election officials; and
  - (2) consider best practices for conducting risk-limiting post-election audits.".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1116 as printed January 11, 2022.)

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Committee Vote: yeas 12, nays 7.

### **HOUSE MOTION**

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1116 be amended to read as follows:

Page 16, between lines 19 and 20, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 10. IC 3-11-15-13.3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193-2021, SECTION 59, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 13.3. (a) To be approved by the commission for use in Indiana, a voting system must meet one (1) of the following:

- (1) The Voting System Standards adopted by the Federal Election Commission on April 30, 2002.
- (2) The Voluntary Voting System Guidelines adopted by the United States Election Assistance Commission on December 13, 2005.
- (3) The Voluntary Voting System Guidelines adopted by the United States Election Assistance Commission, as amended on March 31, 2015.
- (b) Except as provided in subsection (c), a county may continue to use an optical scan ballot card voting system or an electronic voting system whose approval or certification expired on or before October 1, 2021, if the voting system:
  - (1) was:
    - (A) approved by the commission for use in elections in Indiana before October 1, 2021; and
    - (B) purchased or leased by the county before October 1, 2021; and  $\,$

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(2) otherwise complies with the applicable provisions of HAVA and this article.

However, a voting system vendor may not market, sell, lease, or install a voting system described in this subsection.

- (c) A county may not continue to use an electronic voting system after <del>December 31, 2029, July 1, 2024, unless the:</del>
  - (1) system includes a voter verifiable paper audit trail; and
  - (2) certification of that system by the commission has not expired.
- (d) As provided by 52 U.S.C. 21081, to be used in an election in Indiana, a voting system must be accessible for individuals with disabilities, including nonvisual accessibility for the blind and visually impaired, in a manner that provides the same opportunity for access and participation (including privacy and independence) as for other voters.
- (e) As provided by 52 U.S.C. 21081, an election board conducting an election satisfies the requirements of subsection (d) if the election board provides at least one (1) electronic voting system or other voting system equipped for individuals with disabilities at each polling place.
- (f) If a voter who is otherwise qualified to cast a ballot in a precinct chooses to cast the voter's ballot on the voting system provided under subsection (e), the voter must be allowed to cast the voter's ballot on that voting system, whether or not the voter is an individual with disabilities.".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

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