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# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 3

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

**Citations Affected:** Article 2, Section 14 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

**Synopsis:** Deceased absentee voters. Provides that the general assembly may provide that if a voter who legally returns a voted ballot before election day subsequently dies before election day, the voter's vote shall be counted.

**Effective:** This proposed amendment must be agreed to by two consecutive general assemblies and ratified by a majority of the state's voters voting on the question to be effective.

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January 7, 2016, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

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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 2015 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article 2, Section 14 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana concerning elections.

*Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the  
2 State of Indiana is proposed and agreed to by this, the One Hundred  
3 Nineteenth General Assembly of the State of Indiana, and is referred  
4 to the next General Assembly for reconsideration and agreement.  
5 SECTION 2. ARTICLE 2, SECTION 14 OF THE CONSTITUTION  
6 OF THE STATE OF INDIANA IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
7 FOLLOWS: Section 14. (a) General elections shall be held on the first  
8 Tuesday after the first Monday in November.  
9 (b) The General Assembly may provide by law for the election of all  
10 judges of courts of general and appellate jurisdiction, by an election to  
11 be held for such officers only, at which time no other officer shall be  
12 voted for.



1 (c) The General Assembly shall provide for the registration of all  
2 persons entitled to vote.

3 (d) **The General Assembly may provide by law that if a voter:**  
4 **(1) legally returns a voted ballot before election day; and**  
5 **(2) subsequently dies before election day;**  
6 **the voter's vote shall be counted.**

