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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Elections Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to elections; amending the postelection sampling report requirements for
1.3 county auditors and the secretary of state; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016,
1.4 section 201.121, subdivision 3.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 201.121, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 3. **Postelection sampling.** (a) Within ten days after an election, the county auditor
1.8 shall send the notice required by subdivision 2 to a random sampling of the individuals
1.9 registered on election day. The random sampling shall be determined in accordance with
1.10 the rules of the secretary of state. As soon as practicable after the election, the county auditor
1.11 shall mail the notice required by subdivision 2 to all other individuals registered on election
1.12 day. If a notice is returned as not deliverable, the county auditor shall attempt to determine
1.13 the reason for the return. A county auditor who does not receive or obtain satisfactory proof
1.14 of an individual's eligibility to vote shall immediately notify the county attorney of all of
1.15 the relevant information ~~and the secretary of state of the numbers by precinct.~~ The county
1.16 auditor must notify the secretary of state of the following information for each precinct:

1.17 (1) the total number of all notices that were returned as nondeliverable;

1.18 (2) the total number of nondeliverable notices that the county auditor was able to
1.19 determine the reason for the return along with the reason for each return;

1.20 (3) the total number of nondeliverable notices that the county auditor was unable to
1.21 determine the reason for the return.

1.22 (b) By March 1 of every odd-numbered year, the secretary of state shall report to the
1.23 chair and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over

2.1 elections the ~~number of notices reported under this subdivision to the secretary of state for~~
2.2 ~~the previous state general election by county and precinct.~~ following information for each
2.3 precinct and each county:

2.4 (1) the total number of all notices that were returned as nondeliverable;

2.5 (2) the total number of nondeliverable notices that a county auditor was able to determine
2.6 the reason for the return along with the reason for each return; and

2.7 (3) the total number of nondeliverable notices that a county auditor was unable to
2.8 determine the reason for the return.