

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 933

## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE BLAND MANLOVE.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

### AN ACT

To amend chapter 115, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to absentee ballots.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 115, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 115.298, to read as follows:

**115.298. 1. The secretary of state shall provide, subject to appropriation, an online  
2 absentee ballot tracking system. Any person eligible to vote an absentee ballot by mail  
3 shall be entitled to register for the absentee ballot tracking system to receive information  
4 on the current status of his or her absentee ballot.**

**5 2. The absentee ballot tracking system shall, at a minimum:**

**6 (1) Be easily accessible from the main page of the secretary of state's website from  
7 the time that absentee ballots are available until results are certified for each election; and**

**8 (2) Indicate to a voter if his or her ballot has been received, if his or her ballot has  
9 been counted, and, if the ballot has not been counted, the reason it has not been counted.**

**10 3. The secretary of state may require any personal information necessary for  
11 verification and tracking in order to register for the absentee ballot tracking system, such  
12 as an electronic mail address or telephone number where the voter may be contacted and  
13 notified of the status of his or her ballot via electronic mail, text message, or phone call.  
14 The secretary of state shall coordinate with local election authorities to track absentee  
15 ballots in the most efficient manner.**

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.