

ELECTION MODIFICATIONS

2024 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Norman K Thurston

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill addresses mailed ballots.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

▶ provides that, for a ballot that is mailed to be valid, the election officer must receive the ballot before the polls close on election day; and

▶ makes conforming changes.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

⚠→ [None] This bill provides a special effective date. ←⚠

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

20A-3a-204, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 156

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **20A-3a-204** is amended to read:

20A-3a-204. Marking and depositing ballots.

(1) To vote by mail:

(a) except as provided in Subsection (6), the voter shall prepare the voter's manual

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90 20A-3a-208;

91 (ii) remain within the voting area more than 10 minutes; or

92 (iii) occupy a voting booth for more than five minutes if all booths are in use and other
93 voters are waiting to occupy a voting booth.

94 (8) If the official register shows any voter as having voted, that voter may not reenter
95 the voting area during that election unless that voter is an election official or watcher.

96 (9) A poll worker may not, at a polling place, allow more than four voters more than
97 the number of voting booths into the voting area at one time unless those excess voters are:

98 (a) election officials;

99 (b) watchers; or

100 (c) assisting voters with a disability.

101 Section 2. **Effective date.**

102 This bill takes effect on ~~H→ [May 1, 2024.]~~ **January 1, 2025.** ←H