

Rex P. Shipp proposes the following substitute bill:

Voting Revisions

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends provisions relating to elections and voting.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

▸ defines terms;

▸ provides that, beginning in 2026:

• elections will be conducted both in person and by mail, rather than primarily by mail;

• a ballot will only be mailed to a voter who requests mailing or who is covered by the

Uniform Military and Overseas Voters Act (covered voter); and

• a ballot will not be mailed to a voter who requests not to receive a ballot by mail or,

unless the voter is a covered voter, a voter who fails to vote in a regular general

election;

▸ requires the lieutenant governor to establish and operate an online remote ballot request system;

▸ provides that a voter may request to receive a ballot by mail in 2026 and beyond by making the request:

• using a form developed by the lieutenant governor; or

• via the online remote ballot request system, as soon as the system is available for use;

▸ modifies voter registration forms, and temporarily modifies a ballot return envelope, to inform voters about:

• the changes to by-mail voting described in this bill; and

• the methods by which a voter may request to receive a ballot by mail in the upcoming

elections;

▸ subject to certain exceptions relating to a covered voter, provides that, for a ballot to be valid, the ballot must be received before the close of polls on the day of the election;

- 29 ▶ establishes requirements for notifying active voters of the requirement to request a mailed
- 30 ballot for future elections and the methods by which a voter may make the request; and
- 31 ▶ makes technical and conforming changes.

32 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

33 None

34 **Other Special Clauses:**

35 None

36 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

37 AMENDS:

- 38 **20A-1-102**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 438
- 39 **20A-2-104**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapters 327, 406
- 40 **20A-2-108**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 406
- 41 **20A-2-206**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 297
- 42 **20A-2-207**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 18
- 43 **20A-2-505**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapters 327, 406 and renumbered
- 44 and amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 297
- 45 **20A-3a-106**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 297
- 46 **20A-3a-202**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapters 56, 106 and 297
- 47 **20A-3a-204**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 156
- 48 **20A-9-808**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 31

49 ENACTS:

- 50 **20A-3a-107**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 51 **20A-5-411**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



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

54 Section 1. Section **20A-1-102** is amended to read:

55 **20A-1-102 . Definitions.**

56 As used in this title:

- 57 (1) "Active voter" means a registered voter who has not been classified as an inactive voter
- 58 by the county clerk.
- 59 (2) "Automatic tabulating equipment" means apparatus that automatically examines and
- 60 counts votes recorded on ballots and tabulates the results.
- 61 (3)(a) "Ballot" means the storage medium, including a paper, mechanical, or electronic
- 62 storage medium, that records an individual voter's vote.

- 63 (b) "Ballot" does not include a record to tally multiple votes.
- 64 (4) "Ballot proposition" means a question, issue, or proposal that is submitted to voters on
65 the ballot for their approval or rejection including:
- 66 (a) an opinion question specifically authorized by the Legislature;
- 67 (b) a constitutional amendment;
- 68 (c) an initiative;
- 69 (d) a referendum;
- 70 (e) a bond proposition;
- 71 (f) a judicial retention question;
- 72 (g) an incorporation of a city or town; or
- 73 (h) any other ballot question specifically authorized by the Legislature.
- 74 (5) "Bind," "binding," or "bound" means securing more than one piece of paper together
75 using staples or another means in at least three places across the top of the paper in the
76 blank space reserved for securing the paper.
- 77 (6) "Board of canvassers" means the entities established by Sections 20A-4-301 and
78 20A-4-306 to canvass election returns.
- 79 (7) "Bond election" means an election held for the purpose of approving or rejecting the
80 proposed issuance of bonds by a government entity.
- 81 (8) "Business reply mail envelope" means an envelope that may be mailed free of charge by
82 the sender.
- 83 (9) "Canvass" means the review of election returns and the official declaration of election
84 results by the board of canvassers.
- 85 (10) "Canvassing judge" means a poll worker designated to assist in counting ballots at the
86 canvass.
- 87 (11) "Contracting election officer" means an election officer who enters into a contract or
88 interlocal agreement with a provider election officer.
- 89 (12) "Convention" means the political party convention at which party officers and
90 delegates are selected.
- 91 (13) "Counting center" means one or more locations selected by the election officer in
92 charge of the election for the automatic counting of ballots.
- 93 (14) "Counting judge" means a poll worker designated to count the ballots during election
94 day.
- 95 (15) "Counting room" means a suitable and convenient private place or room for use by the
96 poll workers and counting judges to count ballots.

- 97 (16) "County officers" means those county officers that are required by law to be elected.
- 98 (17) "Date of the election" or "election day" or "day of the election":
- 99 (a) means the day that is specified in the calendar year as the day that the election
- 100 occurs; and
- 101 (b) does not include:
- 102 (i) deadlines established for voting by mail, military-overseas voting, or emergency
- 103 voting; or
- 104 (ii) any early voting or early voting period as provided under Chapter 3a, Part 6,
- 105 Early Voting.
- 106 (18) "Elected official" means:
- 107 (a) a person elected to an office under Section 20A-1-303 or Chapter 4, Part 6,
- 108 Municipal Alternate Voting Methods Pilot Project;
- 109 (b) a person who is considered to be elected to a municipal office in accordance with
- 110 Subsection [~~20A-1-206(1)(e)(ii)~~] 20A-1-206(3)(b)(ii); or
- 111 (c) a person who is considered to be elected to a special district office in accordance
- 112 with Subsection 20A-1-206(3)(b)(ii).
- 113 (19) "Election" means a regular general election, a municipal general election, a statewide
- 114 special election, a local special election, a regular primary election, a municipal primary
- 115 election, and a special district election.
- 116 (20) "Election Assistance Commission" means the commission established by the Help
- 117 America Vote Act of 2002, Pub. L. No. 107-252.
- 118 (21) "Election cycle" means the period beginning on the first day persons are eligible to file
- 119 declarations of candidacy and ending when the canvass is completed.
- 120 (22) "Election judge" means a poll worker that is assigned to:
- 121 (a) preside over other poll workers at a polling place;
- 122 (b) act as the presiding election judge; or
- 123 (c) serve as a canvassing judge, counting judge, or receiving judge.
- 124 (23) "Election officer" means:
- 125 (a) the lieutenant governor, for all statewide ballots and elections;
- 126 (b) the county clerk for:
- 127 (i) a county ballot and election; and
- 128 (ii) a ballot and election as a provider election officer as provided in Section
- 129 20A-5-400.1 or 20A-5-400.5;
- 130 (c) the municipal clerk for:

- 131 (i) a municipal ballot and election; and
- 132 (ii) a ballot and election as a provider election officer as provided in Section
- 133 20A-5-400.1 or 20A-5-400.5;
- 134 (d) the special district clerk or chief executive officer for:
- 135 (i) a special district ballot and election; and
- 136 (ii) a ballot and election as a provider election officer as provided in Section
- 137 20A-5-400.1 or 20A-5-400.5; or
- 138 (e) the business administrator or superintendent of a school district for:
- 139 (i) a school district ballot and election; and
- 140 (ii) a ballot and election as a provider election officer as provided in Section
- 141 20A-5-400.1 or 20A-5-400.5.
- 142 (24) "Election official" means any election officer, election judge, or poll worker.
- 143 (25) "Election results" means:
- 144 (a) for an election other than a bond election, the count of votes cast in the election and
- 145 the election returns requested by the board of canvassers; or
- 146 (b) for bond elections, the count of those votes cast for and against the bond proposition
- 147 plus any or all of the election returns that the board of canvassers may request.
- 148 (26) "Election returns" includes:
- 149 (a) the pollbook, the military and overseas absentee voter registration and voting
- 150 certificates, one of the tally sheets, any unprocessed ballots, all counted ballots, all
- 151 excess ballots, all unused ballots, all spoiled ballots, the ballot disposition form, and
- 152 the total votes cast form; and
- 153 (b) the record, described in Subsection 20A-3a-401(8)(c), of voters contacted to cure a
- 154 ballot.
- 155 (27) "Electronic signature" means an electronic sound, symbol, or process attached to or
- 156 logically associated with a record and executed or adopted by a person with the intent to
- 157 sign the record.
- 158 (28) "Inactive voter" means a registered voter who is listed as inactive by a county clerk
- 159 under Subsection 20A-2-505(4)(c)(i) or (ii).
- 160 (29) "Judicial office" means the office filled by any judicial officer.
- 161 (30) "Judicial officer" means any justice or judge of a court of record or any county court
- 162 judge.
- 163 (31) "Local election" means a regular county election, a regular municipal election, a
- 164 municipal primary election, a local special election, a special district election, and a

- 165 bond election.
- 166 (32) "Local political subdivision" means a county, a municipality, a special district, or a
167 local school district.
- 168 (33) "Local special election" means a special election called by the governing body of a
169 local political subdivision in which all registered voters of the local political subdivision
170 may vote.
- 171 (34) "Manual ballot" means a paper document produced by an election officer on which an
172 individual records an individual's vote by directly placing a mark on the paper document
173 using a pen or other marking instrument.
- 174 (35) "Mechanical ballot" means a record, including a paper record, electronic record, or
175 mechanical record, that:
- 176 (a) is created via electronic or mechanical means; and
- 177 (b) records an individual voter's vote cast via a method other than an individual directly
178 placing a mark, using a pen or other marking instrument, to record an individual
179 voter's vote.
- 180 (36) "Municipal executive" means:
- 181 (a) the mayor in the council-mayor form of government defined in Section 10-3b-102; or
- 182 (b) the mayor in the council-manager form of government defined in Subsection
183 10-3b-103(6).
- 184 (37) "Municipal general election" means the election held in municipalities and, as
185 applicable, special districts on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of
186 each odd-numbered year for the purposes established in Section 20A-1-202.
- 187 (38) "Municipal legislative body" [~~meansthe~~] means the council of the city or town in any
188 form of municipal government.
- 189 (39) "Municipal office" means an elective office in a municipality.
- 190 (40) "Municipal officers" means those municipal officers that are required by law to be
191 elected.
- 192 (41) "Municipal primary election" means an election held to nominate candidates for
193 municipal office.
- 194 (42) "Municipality" means a city or town.
- 195 (43) "Official ballot" means the ballots distributed by the election officer for voters to
196 record their votes.
- 197 (44) "Official endorsement" means the information on the ballot that identifies:
- 198 (a) the ballot as an official ballot;

- 199 (b) the date of the election; and
- 200 (c)(i) for a ballot prepared by an election officer other than a county clerk, the
- 201 facsimile signature required by Subsection 20A-6-401(1)(a)(iii); or
- 202 (ii) for a ballot prepared by a county clerk, the words required by Subsection
- 203 20A-6-301(1)(b)(iii).
- 204 (45) "Official register" means the official record furnished to election officials by the
- 205 election officer that contains the information required by Section 20A-5-401.
- 206 (46) "Political party" means an organization of registered voters that has qualified to
- 207 participate in an election by meeting the requirements of Chapter 8, Political Party
- 208 Formation and Procedures.
- 209 (47)(a) "Poll worker" means a person assigned by an election official to assist with an
- 210 election, voting, or counting votes.
- 211 (b) "Poll worker" includes election judges.
- 212 (c) "Poll worker" does not include a watcher.
- 213 (48) "Pollbook" means a record of the names of voters in the order that they appear to cast
- 214 votes.
- 215 (49) "Polling place" means a building where voting is conducted.
- 216 (50) "Position" means a square, circle, rectangle, or other geometric shape on a ballot in
- 217 which the voter marks the voter's choice.
- 218 (51) "Presidential Primary Election" means the election established in Chapter 9, Part 8,
- 219 Presidential Primary Election.
- 220 (52) "Primary convention" means the political party conventions held during the year of the
- 221 regular general election.
- 222 (53) "Protective counter" means a separate counter, which cannot be reset, that:
- 223 (a) is built into a voting machine; and
- 224 (b) records the total number of movements of the operating lever.
- 225 (54) "Provider election officer" means an election officer who enters into a contract or
- 226 interlocal agreement with a contracting election officer to conduct an election for the
- 227 contracting election officer's local political subdivision in accordance with Section
- 228 20A-5-400.1.
- 229 (55) "Provisional ballot" means a ballot voted provisionally by a person:
- 230 (a) whose name is not listed on the official register at the polling place;
- 231 (b) whose legal right to vote is challenged as provided in this title; or
- 232 (c) whose identity was not sufficiently established by a poll worker.

- 233 (56) "Provisional ballot envelope" means an envelope printed in the form required by
234 Section 20A-6-105 that is used to identify provisional ballots and to provide information
235 to verify a person's legal right to vote.
- 236 (57)(a) "Public figure" means an individual who, due to the individual being considered
237 for, holding, or having held a position of prominence in a public or private capacity,
238 or due to the individual's celebrity status, has an increased risk to the individual's
239 safety.
- 240 (b) "Public figure" does not include an individual:
- 241 (i) elected to public office; or
- 242 (ii) appointed to fill a vacancy in an elected public office.
- 243 (58) "Qualify" or "qualified" means to take the oath of office and begin performing the
244 duties of the position for which the individual was elected.
- 245 (59) "Receiving judge" means the poll worker that checks the voter's name in the official
246 register at a polling place and provides the voter with a ballot.
- 247 (60) "Remote ballot" means a ballot that is mailed to a remote voter, as defined in
248 Subsection 20A-3a-202(1).
- 249 [~~(60)~~] (61) "Registration form" means a form by which an individual may register to vote
250 under this title.
- 251 [~~(61)~~] (62) "Regular ballot" means a ballot that is not a provisional ballot.
- 252 [~~(62)~~] (63) "Regular general election" means the election held throughout the state on the
253 first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each even-numbered year for the
254 purposes established in Section 20A-1-201.
- 255 [~~(63)~~] (64) "Regular primary election" means the election, held on the date specified in
256 Section 20A-1-201.5, to nominate candidates of political parties and candidates for
257 nonpartisan local school board positions to advance to the regular general election.
- 258 [~~(64)~~] (65) "Resident" means a person who resides within a specific voting precinct in Utah.
- 259 [~~(65)~~] (66) "Return envelope" means the envelope, described in Subsection [~~20A-3a-202(4)~~]
260 20A-3a-202(6), provided to a voter with a manual ballot:
- 261 (a) into which the voter places the manual ballot after the voter has voted the manual
262 ballot in order to preserve the secrecy of the voter's vote; and
- 263 (b) that includes the voter affidavit and a place for the voter's signature.
- 264 [~~(66)~~] (67) "Sample ballot" means a mock ballot similar in form to the official ballot,
265 published as provided in Section 20A-5-405.
- 266 [~~(67)~~] (68) "Special district" means a local government entity under Title 17B, Limited

- 267 Purpose Local Government Entities - Special Districts, and includes a special service
268 district under Title 17D, Chapter 1, Special Service District Act.
- 269 [(68)] (69) "Special district officers" means those special district board members who are
270 required by law to be elected.
- 271 [(69)] (70) "Special election" means an election held as authorized by Section 20A-1-203.
- 272 [(70)] (71) "Spoiled ballot" means each ballot that:
- 273 (a) is spoiled by the voter;
- 274 (b) is unable to be voted because it was spoiled by the printer or a poll worker; or
- 275 (c) lacks the official endorsement.
- 276 [(71)] (72) "Statewide special election" means a special election called by the governor or
277 the Legislature in which all registered voters in Utah may vote.
- 278 [(72)] (73) "Tabulation system" means a device or system designed for the sole purpose of
279 tabulating votes cast by voters at an election.
- 280 [(73)] (74) "Ticket" means a list of:
- 281 (a) political parties;
- 282 (b) candidates for an office; or
- 283 (c) ballot propositions.
- 284 [(74)] (75) "Transfer case" means the sealed box used to transport voted ballots to the
285 counting center.
- 286 [(75)] (76) "Vacancy" means:
- 287 (a) except as provided in Subsection [(75)(b)] (76)(b), the absence of an individual to
288 serve in a position created by state constitution or state statute, whether that absence
289 occurs because of death, disability, disqualification, resignation, or other cause[-]; or
- 290 (b) in relation to a candidate for a position created by state constitution or state statute,
291 the removal of a candidate due to the candidate's death, resignation, or
292 disqualification.
- 293 [(76)] (77) "Valid voter identification" means:
- 294 (a) a form of identification that bears the name and photograph of the voter which may
295 include:
- 296 (i) a currently valid Utah driver license;
- 297 (ii) a currently valid identification card that is issued by:
- 298 (A) the state; or
- 299 (B) a branch, department, or agency of the United States;
- 300 (iii) a currently valid Utah permit to carry a concealed weapon;

- 301 (iv) a currently valid United States passport; or
 302 (v) a currently valid United States military identification card;
 303 (b) one of the following identification cards, whether or not the card includes a
 304 photograph of the voter:
 305 (i) a valid tribal identification card;
 306 (ii) a Bureau of Indian Affairs card; or
 307 (iii) a tribal treaty card; or
 308 (c) two forms of identification not listed under Subsection [~~(76)(a) or (b)~~] (77)(a) or (b)
 309 but that bear the name of the voter and provide evidence that the voter resides in the
 310 voting precinct, which may include:
 311 (i) a current utility bill or a legible copy thereof, dated within the 90 days before the
 312 election;
 313 (ii) a bank or other financial account statement, or a legible copy thereof;
 314 (iii) a certified birth certificate;
 315 (iv) a valid social security card;
 316 (v) a check issued by the state or the federal government or a legible copy thereof;
 317 (vi) a paycheck from the voter's employer, or a legible copy thereof;
 318 (vii) a currently valid Utah hunting or fishing license;
 319 (viii) certified naturalization documentation;
 320 (ix) a currently valid license issued by an authorized agency of the United States;
 321 (x) a certified copy of court records showing the voter's adoption or name change;
 322 (xi) a valid Medicaid card, Medicare card, or Electronic Benefits Transfer Card;
 323 (xii) a currently valid identification card issued by:
 324 (A) a local government within the state;
 325 (B) an employer for an employee; or
 326 (C) a college, university, technical school, or professional school located within
 327 the state; or
 328 (xiii) a current Utah vehicle registration.
 329 [~~(77)~~] (78) "Valid write-in candidate" means a candidate who has qualified as a write-in
 330 candidate by following the procedures and requirements of this title.
 331 [~~(78)~~] (79) "Vote by mail" means to vote, using a manual ballot that is mailed to the voter,
 332 by:
 333 (a) mailing the ballot to the location designated in the mailing; or
 334 (b) depositing the ballot in a ballot drop box designated by the election officer.

335 [(79)] (80) "Voter" means an individual who:

336 (a) meets the requirements for voting in an election;

337 (b) meets the requirements of election registration;

338 (c) is registered to vote; and

339 (d) is listed in the official register book.

340 [(80)] (81) "Voter registration deadline" means the registration deadline provided in Section
341 20A-2-102.5.

342 [(81)] (82) "Voting area" means the area within six feet of the voting booths, voting
343 machines, and ballot box.

344 [(82)] (83) "Voting booth" means:

345 (a) the space or compartment within a polling place that is provided for the preparation
346 of ballots, including the voting enclosure or curtain; or

347 (b) a voting device that is free standing.

348 [(83)] (84) "Voting device" means any device provided by an election officer for a voter to
349 vote a mechanical ballot.

350 [(84)] (85) "Voting precinct" means the smallest geographical voting unit, established under
351 Chapter 5, Part 3, Duties of the County and Municipal Legislative Bodies.

352 [(85)] (86) "Watcher" means an individual who complies with the requirements described in
353 Section 20A-3a-801 to become a watcher for an election.

354 [(86)] (87) "Write-in ballot" means a ballot containing any write-in votes.

355 [(87)] (88) "Write-in vote" means a vote cast for an individual, whose name is not printed on
356 the ballot, in accordance with the procedures established in this title.

357 Section 2. Section **20A-2-104** is amended to read:

358 **20A-2-104 . Voter registration form -- Registered voter lists -- Fees for copies.**

359 (1) As used in this section:

360 (a) "Candidate for public office" means an individual:

361 (i) who files a declaration of candidacy for a public office;

362 (ii) who files a notice of intent to gather signatures under Section 20A-9-408; or

363 (iii) employed by, under contract with, or a volunteer of, an individual described in
364 Subsection (1)(a)(i) or (ii) for political campaign purposes.

365 (b) "Dating violence" means the same as that term is defined in Section 78B-7-402 and
366 the federal Violence Against Women Act of 1994, as amended.

367 (c) "Domestic violence" means the same as that term is defined in Section 77-36-1 and
368 the federal Violence Against Women Act of 1994, as amended.

- 369 (d) "Hash Code" means a code generated by applying an algorithm to a set of data to
- 370 produce a code that:
- 371 (i) uniquely represents the set of data;
- 372 (ii) is always the same if the same algorithm is applied to the same set of data; and
- 373 (iii) cannot be reversed to reveal the data applied to the algorithm.
- 374 (e) "Protected individual" means an individual:
- 375 (i) who submits a withholding request form with the individual's voter registration
- 376 record, or to the lieutenant governor or a county clerk, if the individual indicates
- 377 on the form that the individual, or an individual who resides with the individual, is
- 378 a victim of domestic violence or dating violence or is likely to be a victim of
- 379 domestic violence or dating violence;
- 380 (ii) who submits a withholding request form with the individual's voter registration
- 381 record, or to the lieutenant governor or a county clerk, if the individual indicates
- 382 on the form and provides verification that the individual, or an individual who
- 383 resides with the individual, is a law enforcement officer, a member of the armed
- 384 forces as defined in Section 20A-1-513, a public figure, or protected by a
- 385 protective order or protection order; or
- 386 (iii) whose voter registration record was classified as a private record at the request of
- 387 the individual before May 12, 2020.

388 (2)(a) An individual applying for voter registration, or an individual preregistering to vote,

389 shall complete a voter registration form in substantially the following form:

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391 UTAH ELECTION REGISTRATION FORM

392 Are you a citizen of the United States of America? Yes No

393 If you checked "no" to the above question, do not complete this form.

394 Will you be 18 years of age on or before election day? Yes No

395 If you checked "no" to the above question, are you 16 or 17 years of age and
 396 preregistering to vote? Yes No

397 If you checked "no" to both of the prior two questions, do not complete this form.

398 Name of Voter

399 _____

400 First Middle Last

401 Utah Driver License or Utah Identification Card

402 Number_____

403 Date of Birth _____

404 Street Address of Principal Place of Residence

405 _____

406 City County State Zip Code

407 Telephone Number (optional) _____

408 Email Address (optional) _____

409 Last four digits of Social Security Number _____

410 Last former address at which I was registered to vote (if

411 known)_____

412 _____

413 City County State Zip Code

414 Political Party

415 (a listing of each registered political party, as defined in Section 20A-8-101 and
416 maintained by the lieutenant governor under Section 67-1a-2, with each party's name preceded
417 by a checkbox)

418 Unaffiliated (no political party preference) Other (Please
419 specify)_____

420 I do swear (or affirm), subject to penalty of law for false statements, that the information
421 contained in this form is true, and that I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the
422 state of Utah, residing at the above address. Unless I have indicated above that I am
423 preregistering to vote in a later election, I will be at least 18 years of age and will have resided
424 in Utah for 30 days immediately before the next election. I am not a convicted felon currently
425 incarcerated for commission of a felony.

426 Signed and sworn

427 _____

428 Voter's Signature_____ (month/day/year).

429 **PRIVACY INFORMATION**

430 Voter registration records contain some information that is available to the public, such
431 as your name and address, some information that is available only to government entities, and
432 some information that is available only to certain third parties in accordance with the
433 requirements of law.

434 Your driver license number, identification card number, social security number, email
435 address, full date of birth, and phone number are available only to government entities. Your
436 year of birth is available to political parties, candidates for public office, certain third parties,

437 and their contractors, employees, and volunteers, in accordance with the requirements of law.

438 You may request that all information on your voter registration records be withheld from
439 all persons other than government entities, political parties, candidates for public office, and
440 their contractors, employees, and volunteers, by indicating here:

441 _____ Yes, I request that all information on my voter registration records be withheld
442 from all persons other than government entities, political parties, candidates for public office,
443 and their contractors, employees, and volunteers.

444 REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL PRIVACY PROTECTION

445 In addition to the protections provided above, you may request that identifying
446 information on your voter registration records be withheld from all political parties, candidates
447 for public office, and their contractors, employees, and volunteers, by submitting a
448 withholding request form, and any required verification, as described in the following
449 paragraphs.

450 A person may request that identifying information on the person's voter registration
451 records be withheld from all political parties, candidates for public office, and their
452 contractors, employees, and volunteers, by submitting a withholding request form with this
453 registration record, or to the lieutenant governor or a county clerk, if the person is or is likely
454 to be, or resides with a person who is or is likely to be, a victim of domestic violence or dating
455 violence.

456 A person may request that identifying information on the person's voter registration
457 records be withheld from all political parties, candidates for public office, and their
458 contractors, employees, and volunteers, by submitting a withholding request form and any
459 required verification with this registration form, or to the lieutenant governor or a county clerk,
460 if the person is, or resides with a person who is, a law enforcement officer, a member of the
461 armed forces, a public figure, or protected by a protective order or a protection order.

462 CITIZENSHIP AFFIDAVIT

463 Name:

464 Name at birth, if different:

465 Place of birth:

466 Date of birth:

467 Date and place of naturalization (if applicable):

468 I hereby swear and affirm, under penalties for voting fraud set forth below, that I am a
469 citizen and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the information above is true and
470 correct.

471 _____
472 Signature of Applicant

473 In accordance with Section 20A-2-401, the penalty for willfully causing, procuring, or
474 allowing yourself to be registered or preregistered to vote if you know you are not entitled to
475 register or preregister to vote is up to one year in jail and a fine of up to \$2,500.

476 NOTICE: IN ORDER TO BE ALLOWED TO VOTE, YOU MUST PRESENT VALID
477 VOTER IDENTIFICATION TO THE POLL WORKER BEFORE VOTING, WHICH MUST
478 BE A VALID FORM OF PHOTO IDENTIFICATION THAT SHOWS YOUR NAME AND
479 PHOTOGRAPH; OR

480 TWO DIFFERENT FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION THAT SHOW YOUR NAME
481 AND CURRENT ADDRESS.

482 FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

483 Type of I.D. _____

484 Voting Precinct _____

485 Voting I.D. Number _____

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487 (b) The voter registration form described in Subsection (2)(a) shall include a section with the
488 heading "BALLOT NOTIFICATIONS," followed by statements in substantially the following
489 form:

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491 **BALLOT NOTIFICATIONS]**

492 (i) the following statement:

493 "If you have provided a phone number or email address, you can receive notifications by
494 text message or email regarding the status of a ballot that is mailed to you or a ballot that you
495 deposit in the mail or in a ballot drop box, by indicating here:

496 _____ Yes, I would like to receive electronic notifications regarding the status of my
497 ballot.";

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499 [-----]

500 (ii) before January 1, 2026, one of the following statements:

501 (A) until the online remote ballot request system described in Section 20A-3a-107
502 is available for use:

503 "If you desire to have a ballot mailed to you in the 2026 elections and
504 beyond, you must submit to your county clerk a request form that is available

- 505 at [insert a uniform resource locator where a voter may access a copy of the
506 form online] or that you may obtain by mail, by calling [insert phone
507 number]."; or
- 508 (B) beginning on the day on which the online remote ballot request system
509 described in Section 20A-3a-107 is available for use:
510 "If you desire to have a ballot mailed to you in the 2026 elections and
511 beyond, you must submit a request:
512 • using the online remote ballot request system available at [insert a uniform
513 resource locator where a voter may access the online remote ballot request
514 system described in Section 20A-3a-107]; or
515 • by submitting to your county clerk a request form that is available at [insert
516 a uniform resource locator where a voter may access a copy of the form online]
517 or that you may obtain by mail, by calling [insert phone number]."; and
- 518 (iii) beginning on January 1, 2026, the following statement:
519 "If you desire to have a ballot mailed to you in the upcoming elections, you
520 must submit a request:
521 • using the online remote ballot request system available at [insert a uniform
522 resource locator where a voter may access the online remote ballot request system
523 described in Section 20A-3a-107]; or
524 • by submitting to your county clerk a request form that is available at [insert a
525 uniform resource locator where a voter may access a copy of the form online] or
526 that you may obtain by mail, by calling [insert phone number]."
- 527 (c)(i) Except as provided under Subsection (2)(c)(ii), the county clerk shall retain a
528 copy of each voter registration form in a permanent countywide alphabetical file,
529 which may be electronic or some other recognized system.
- 530 (ii) The county clerk may transfer a superseded voter registration form to the
531 Division of Archives and Records Service created under Section 63A-12-101.
- 532 (3)(a) Each county clerk shall retain lists of currently registered voters.
- 533 (b) The lieutenant governor shall maintain a list of registered voters in electronic form.
- 534 (c) If there are any discrepancies between the two lists, the county clerk's list is the
535 official list.
- 536 (d) The lieutenant governor and the county clerks may charge the fees established under
537 the authority of Subsection 63G-2-203(10) to individuals who wish to obtain a copy
538 of the list of registered voters.

- 539 (4)(a) As used in this Subsection (4), "qualified person" means:
- 540 (i) a government official or government employee acting in the government official's
541 or government employee's capacity as a government official or a government
542 employee;
- 543 (ii) a health care provider, as defined in Section 26B-8-501, or an agent, employee, or
544 independent contractor of a health care provider;
- 545 (iii) an insurance company, as defined in Section 67-4a-102, or an agent, employee,
546 or independent contractor of an insurance company;
- 547 (iv) a financial institution, as defined in Section 7-1-103, or an agent, employee, or
548 independent contractor of a financial institution;
- 549 (v) a political party, or an agent, employee, or independent contractor of a political
550 party;
- 551 (vi) a candidate for public office, or an employee, independent contractor, or
552 volunteer of a candidate for public office;
- 553 (vii) a person described in Subsections (4)(a)(i) through (vi) who, after obtaining a
554 year of birth from the list of registered voters:
- 555 (A) provides the year of birth only to a person described in Subsections (4)(a)(i)
556 through [~~(vii)~~] (vi);
- 557 (B) verifies that the person described in Subsection (4)(a)(vii)(A) is a person
558 described in Subsections (4)(a)(i) through [~~(vii)~~] (vi);
- 559 (C) ensures, using industry standard security measures, that the year of birth may
560 not be accessed by a person other than a person described in Subsections
561 (4)(a)(i) through [~~(vii)~~] (vi);
- 562 (D) verifies that each person described in Subsections (4)(a)(ii) through (iv) to
563 whom the person provides the year of birth will only use the year of birth to
564 verify the accuracy of personal information submitted by an individual or to
565 confirm the identity of a person in order to prevent fraud, waste, or abuse;
- 566 (E) verifies that each person described in Subsection (4)(a)(i) to whom the person
567 provides the year of birth will only use the year of birth in the person's capacity
568 as a government official or government employee; and
- 569 (F) verifies that each person described in Subsection (4)(a)(v) or (vi) to whom the
570 person provides the year of birth will only use the year of birth for a political
571 purpose of the political party or candidate for public office; or
- 572 (viii) a person described in Subsection (4)(a)(v) or (vi) who, after obtaining

- 573 information under Subsection (4)(n) and (o):
- 574 (A) provides the information only to another person described in Subsection
- 575 (4)(a)(v) or (vi);
- 576 (B) verifies that the other person described in Subsection (4)(a)(viii)(A) is a
- 577 person described in Subsection (4)(a)(v) or (vi);
- 578 (C) ensures, using industry standard security measures, that the information may
- 579 not be accessed by a person other than a person described in Subsection
- 580 (4)(a)(v) or (vi); and
- 581 (D) verifies that each person described in Subsection (4)(a)(v) or (vi) to whom the
- 582 person provides the information will only use the information for a political
- 583 purpose of the political party or candidate for public office.
- 584 (b) Notwithstanding Subsection 63G-2-302(1)(j)(iv), and except as provided in
- 585 Subsection 63G-2-302(1)(k) or (l), the lieutenant governor or a county clerk shall,
- 586 when providing the list of registered voters to a qualified person under this section,
- 587 include, with the list, the years of birth of the registered voters, if:
- 588 (i) the lieutenant governor or a county clerk verifies the identity of the person and
- 589 that the person is a qualified person; and
- 590 (ii) the qualified person signs a document that includes the following:
- 591 (A) the name, address, and telephone number of the person requesting the list of
- 592 registered voters;
- 593 (B) an indication of the type of qualified person that the person requesting the list
- 594 claims to be;
- 595 (C) a statement regarding the purpose for which the person desires to obtain the
- 596 years of birth;
- 597 (D) a list of the purposes for which the qualified person may use the year of birth
- 598 of a registered voter that is obtained from the list of registered voters;
- 599 (E) a statement that the year of birth of a registered voter that is obtained from the
- 600 list of registered voters may not be provided or used for a purpose other than a
- 601 purpose described under Subsection (4)(b)(ii)(D);
- 602 (F) a statement that if the person obtains the year of birth of a registered voter
- 603 from the list of registered voters under false pretenses, or provides or uses the
- 604 year of birth of a registered voter that is obtained from the list of registered
- 605 voters in a manner that is prohibited by law, is guilty of a class A misdemeanor
- 606 and is subject to a civil fine;

- 607 (G) an assertion from the person that the person will not provide or use the year of
608 birth of a registered voter that is obtained from the list of registered voters in a
609 manner that is prohibited by law; and
- 610 (H) notice that if the person makes a false statement in the document, the person is
611 punishable by law under Section 76-8-504.
- 612 (c) The lieutenant governor or a county clerk:
- 613 (i) may not disclose the year of birth of a registered voter to a person that the
614 lieutenant governor or county clerk reasonably believes:
- 615 (A) is not a qualified person or a person described in Subsection (4)(l); or
616 (B) will provide or use the year of birth in a manner prohibited by law; and
- 617 (ii) may not disclose information under Subsections (4)(n) or (o) to a person that the
618 lieutenant governor or county clerk reasonably believes:
- 619 (A) is not a person described in Subsection (4)(a)(v) or (vi); or
620 (B) will provide or use the information in a manner prohibited by law.
- 621 (d) The lieutenant governor or a county clerk may not disclose the voter registration
622 form of a person, or information included in the person's voter registration form,
623 whose voter registration form is classified as private under Subsection (4)(h) to a
624 person other than:
- 625 (i) a government official or government employee acting in the government official's
626 or government employee's capacity as a government official or government
627 employee; or
- 628 (ii) subject to Subsection (4)(e), a person described in Subsection (4)(a)(v) or (vi) for
629 a political purpose.
- 630 (e)(i) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(e)(ii), when disclosing a record or
631 information under Subsection (4)(d)(ii), the lieutenant governor or county clerk
632 shall exclude the information described in Subsection 63G-2-302(1)(j), other than
633 the year of birth.
- 634 (ii) If disclosing a record or information under Subsection (4)(d)(ii) in relation to the
635 voter registration record of a protected individual, the lieutenant governor or
636 county clerk shall comply with Subsections (4)(n) through (p).
- 637 (f) The lieutenant governor or a county clerk may not disclose a withholding request
638 form, described in Subsections (7) and (8), submitted by an individual, or information
639 obtained from that form, to a person other than a government official or government
640 employee acting in the government official's or government employee's capacity as a

- 641 government official or government employee.
- 642 (g) A person is guilty of a class A misdemeanor if the person:
- 643 (i) obtains from the list of registered voters, under false pretenses, the year of birth of
- 644 a registered voter or information described in Subsection (4)(n) or (o);
- 645 (ii) uses or provides the year of birth of a registered voter, or information described in
- 646 Subsection (4)(n) or (o), that is obtained from the list of registered voters in a
- 647 manner that is not permitted by law;
- 648 (iii) obtains a voter registration record described in Subsection 63G-2-302(1)(k)
- 649 under false pretenses;
- 650 (iv) uses or provides information obtained from a voter registration record described
- 651 in Subsection 63G-2-302(1)(k) in a manner that is not permitted by law;
- 652 (v) unlawfully discloses or obtains a voter registration record withheld under
- 653 Subsection (7) or a withholding request form described in Subsections (7) and (8);
- 654 or
- 655 (vi) unlawfully discloses or obtains information from a voter registration record
- 656 withheld under Subsection (7) or a withholding request form described in
- 657 Subsections (7) and (8).
- 658 (h) The lieutenant governor or a county clerk shall classify the voter registration record
- 659 of a voter as a private record if the voter:
- 660 (i) submits a written application, created by the lieutenant governor, requesting that
- 661 the voter's voter registration record be classified as private;
- 662 (ii) requests on the voter's voter registration form that the voter's voter registration
- 663 record be classified as a private record; or
- 664 (iii) submits a withholding request form described in Subsection (7) and any required
- 665 verification.
- 666 (i) Except as provided in Subsections (4)(d)(ii) and (e)(ii), the lieutenant governor or a
- 667 county clerk may not disclose to a person described in Subsection (4)(a)(v) or (vi) a
- 668 voter registration record, or information obtained from a voter registration record, if
- 669 the record is withheld under Subsection (7).
- 670 (j) In addition to any criminal penalty that may be imposed under this section, the
- 671 lieutenant governor may impose a civil fine against a person who violates a provision
- 672 of this section, in an amount equal to the greater of:
- 673 (i) the product of 30 and the square root of the total number of:
- 674 (A) records obtained, provided, or used unlawfully, rounded to the nearest whole

- 675 dollar; or
- 676 (B) records from which information is obtained, provided, or used unlawfully,
- 677 rounded to the nearest whole dollar; or
- 678 (ii) \$200.
- 679 (k) A qualified person may not obtain, provide, or use the year of birth of a registered
- 680 voter, if the year of birth is obtained from the list of registered voters or from a voter
- 681 registration record, unless the person:
- 682 (i) is a government official or government employee who obtains, provides, or uses
- 683 the year of birth in the government official's or government employee's capacity
- 684 as a government official or government employee;
- 685 (ii) is a qualified person described in Subsection (4)(a)(ii), (iii), or (iv) and obtains or
- 686 uses the year of birth only to verify the accuracy of personal information
- 687 submitted by an individual or to confirm the identity of a person in order to
- 688 prevent fraud, waste, or abuse;
- 689 (iii) is a qualified person described in Subsection (4)(a)(v) or (vi) and obtains,
- 690 provides, or uses the year of birth for a political purpose of the political party or
- 691 candidate for public office; or
- 692 (iv) is a qualified person described in Subsection (4)(a)(vii) and obtains, provides, or
- 693 uses the year of birth to provide the year of birth to another qualified person to
- 694 verify the accuracy of personal information submitted by an individual or to
- 695 confirm the identity of a person in order to prevent fraud, waste, or abuse.
- 696 (l) The lieutenant governor or a county clerk may provide a year of birth to a member of
- 697 the media, in relation to an individual designated by the member of the media, in
- 698 order for the member of the media to verify the identity of the individual.
- 699 (m) A person described in Subsection (4)(a)(v) or (vi) may not use or disclose
- 700 information from a voter registration record for a purpose other than a political
- 701 purpose.
- 702 (n) Notwithstanding Subsection 63G-2-302(1)(k) or (l), the lieutenant governor or a
- 703 county clerk shall, when providing the list of registered voters to a qualified person
- 704 described in Subsection (4)(a)(v) or (vi), include, from the record of a voter whose
- 705 record is withheld under Subsection (7), the information described in Subsection
- 706 (4)(o), if:
- 707 (i) the lieutenant governor or a county clerk verifies the identity of the person and
- 708 that the person is a qualified person described in Subsection (4)(a)(v) or (vi); and

- 709 (ii) the qualified person described in Subsection (4)(a)(v) or (vi) signs a document
710 that includes the following:
- 711 (A) the name, address, and telephone number of the person requesting the list of
712 registered voters;
 - 713 (B) an indication of the type of qualified person that the person requesting the list
714 claims to be;
 - 715 (C) a statement regarding the purpose for which the person desires to obtain the
716 information;
 - 717 (D) a list of the purposes for which the qualified person may use the information;
 - 718 (E) a statement that the information may not be provided or used for a purpose
719 other than a purpose described under Subsection (4)(n)(ii)(D);
 - 720 (F) a statement that if the person obtains the information under false pretenses, or
721 provides or uses the information in a manner that is prohibited by law, the
722 person is guilty of a class A misdemeanor and is subject to a civil fine;
 - 723 (G) an assertion from the person that the person will not provide or use the
724 information in a manner that is prohibited by law; and
 - 725 (H) notice that if the person makes a false statement in the document, the person is
726 punishable by law under Section 76-8-504.
- 727 (o) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(p), the information that the lieutenant governor
728 or a county clerk is required to provide, under Subsection (4)(n), from the record of a
729 protected individual is:
- 730 (i) a single hash code, generated from a string of data that includes both the voter's
731 voter identification number and residential address;
 - 732 (ii) the voter's residential address;
 - 733 (iii) the voter's mailing address, if different from the voter's residential address;
 - 734 (iv) the party affiliation of the voter;
 - 735 (v) the precinct number for the voter's residential address;
 - 736 (vi) the voter's voting history; and
 - 737 (vii) a designation of which age group, of the following age groups, the voter falls
738 within:
 - 739 (A) 25 or younger;
 - 740 (B) 26 through 35;
 - 741 (C) 36 through 45;
 - 742 (D) 46 through 55;

- 743 (E) 56 through 65;
- 744 (F) 66 through 75; or
- 745 (G) 76 or older.
- 746 (p) The lieutenant governor or a county clerk may not disclose:
- 747 (i) information described in Subsection (4)(o) that, due to a small number of voters
- 748 affiliated with a particular political party, or due to another reason, would likely
- 749 reveal the identity of a voter if disclosed; or
- 750 (ii) the address described in Subsection (4)(o)(iii) if the lieutenant governor or the
- 751 county clerk determines that the nature of the address would directly reveal
- 752 sensitive information about the voter.
- 753 (q) A qualified person described in Subsection (4)(a)(v) or (vi), may not obtain, provide,
- 754 or use the information described in Subsection (4)(n) or (o), except to the extent that
- 755 the qualified person uses the information for a political purpose of a political party or
- 756 candidate for public office.
- 757 (5) When political parties not listed on the voter registration form qualify as registered
- 758 political parties under Title 20A, Chapter 8, Political Party Formation and Procedures,
- 759 the lieutenant governor shall inform the county clerks of the name of the new political
- 760 party and direct the county clerks to ensure that the voter registration form is modified to
- 761 include that political party.
- 762 (6) Upon receipt of a voter registration form from an applicant, the county clerk or the
- 763 clerk's designee shall:
- 764 (a) review each voter registration form for completeness and accuracy; and
- 765 (b) if the county clerk believes, based upon a review of the form, that an individual may
- 766 be seeking to register or preregister to vote who is not legally entitled to register or
- 767 preregister to vote, refer the form to the county attorney for investigation and
- 768 possible prosecution.
- 769 (7) The lieutenant governor or a county clerk shall withhold from a person, other than a
- 770 person described in Subsection (4)(a)(i), the voter registration record, and information
- 771 obtained from the voter registration record, of a protected individual.
- 772 (8)(a) The lieutenant governor shall design and distribute the withholding request form
- 773 described in Subsection (7) to each election officer and to each agency that provides
- 774 a voter registration form.
- 775 (b) An individual described in Subsection (1)(e)(i) is not required to provide
- 776 verification, other than the individual's attestation and signature on the withholding

777 request form, that the individual, or an individual who resides with the individual, is a
778 victim of domestic violence or dating violence or is likely to be a victim of domestic
779 violence or dating violence.

780 (c) The director of elections within the Office of the Lieutenant Governor shall make
781 rules, in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act,
782 establishing requirements for providing the verification described in Subsection
783 (1)(e)(ii).

784 (9) An election officer or an employee of an election officer may not encourage an
785 individual to submit, or discourage an individual from submitting, a withholding request
786 form.

787 (10)(a) The lieutenant governor shall make and execute a plan to provide notice to
788 registered voters who are protected individuals, that includes the following
789 information:

- 790 (i) that the voter's classification of the record as private remains in effect;
- 791 (ii) that certain non-identifying information from the voter's voter registration record
792 may, under certain circumstances, be released to political parties and candidates
793 for public office;
- 794 (iii) that the voter's name, driver license or identification card number, social security
795 number, email address, phone number, and the voter's day, month, and year of
796 birth will remain private and will not be released to political parties or candidates
797 for public office;
- 798 (iv) that a county clerk will only release the information to political parties and
799 candidates in a manner that does not associate the information with a particular
800 voter; and
- 801 (v) that a county clerk may, under certain circumstances, withhold other information
802 that the county clerk determines would reveal identifying information about the
803 voter.

804 (b) The lieutenant governor may include in the notice described in this Subsection (10) a
805 statement that a voter may obtain additional information on the lieutenant governor's
806 website.

807 (c) The plan described in Subsection (10)(a) may include providing the notice described
808 in Subsection (10)(a) by:

- 809 (i) publication on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 63A-16-601;
- 810 (ii) publication on the lieutenant governor's website or a county's website;

- 811 (iii) posting the notice in public locations;
- 812 (iv) publication in a newspaper;
- 813 (v) sending notification to the voters by electronic means;
- 814 (vi) sending notice by other methods used by government entities to communicate
- 815 with citizens; or
- 816 (vii) providing notice by any other method.
- 817 (d) The lieutenant governor shall provide the notice included in a plan described in this
- 818 Subsection (10) before June 16, 2023.

819 Section 3. Section **20A-2-108** is amended to read:

820 **20A-2-108 . Driver license or state identification card registration form --**

821 **Transmittal of information.**

822 (1) As used in this section, "qualifying form" means:

- 823 (a) a driver license application form; or
- 824 (b) a state identification card application form.

825 (2) The lieutenant governor and the Driver License Division shall design each qualifying

826 form to include:

- 827 (a) the following question, which an applicant is required to answer: "Do you authorize
- 828 the use of information in this form for voter registration purposes? YES_____
- 829 NO_____";

830 (b) the following statement:

831 "PRIVACY INFORMATION

832 Voter registration records contain some information that is available to the public, such

833 as your name and address, some information that is available only to government entities, and

834 some information that is available only to certain third parties in accordance with the

835 requirements of law.

836 Your driver license number, identification card number, social security number, email

837 address, full date of birth, and phone number are available only to government entities. Your

838 year of birth is available to political parties, candidates for public office, certain third parties,

839 and their contractors, employees, and volunteers, in accordance with the requirements of law.

840 You may request that all information on your voter registration records be withheld from

841 all persons other than government entities, political parties, candidates for public office, and

842 their contractors, employees, and volunteers, by indicating here:

843 _____ Yes, I request that all information on my voter registration records be withheld

844 from all persons other than government entities, political parties, candidates for public office,

845 and their contractors, employees, and volunteers.

846 REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL PRIVACY PROTECTION

847 In addition to the protections provided above, you may request that identifying
848 information on your voter registration records be withheld from all political parties, candidates
849 for public office, and their contractors, employees, and volunteers, by submitting a
850 withholding request form, and any required verification, as described in the following
851 paragraphs.

852 A person may request that identifying information on the person's voter registration
853 records be withheld from all political parties, candidates for public office, and their
854 contractors, employees, and volunteers, by submitting a withholding request form with this
855 registration record, or to the lieutenant governor or a county clerk, if the person is or is likely
856 to be, or resides with a person who is or is likely to be, a victim of domestic violence or dating
857 violence.

858 A person may request that identifying information on the person's voter registration
859 records be withheld from all political parties, candidates for public office, and their
860 contractors, employees, and volunteers, by submitting a withholding request form and any
861 required verification with this registration form, or to the lieutenant governor or a county clerk,
862 if the person is, or resides with a person who is, a law enforcement officer, a member of the
863 armed forces, a public figure, or protected by a protective order or a protection order."; and

864 (c) a section with the heading "BALLOT NOTIFICATIONS," followed by statements in
865 substantially the following form:

866 [-----
867 **BALLOT NOTIFICATIONS]**

868 (i) the following statement:

869 "If you have provided a phone number or email address, you can receive notifications by
870 text message or email regarding the status of a ballot that is mailed to you or a ballot that you
871 deposit in the mail or in a ballot drop box, by indicating here:

872 _____ Yes, I would like to receive electronic notifications regarding the status of my
873 ballot.";

874 [
875 -----]

876 (ii) before January 1, 2026, one of the following statements:

877 (A) until the online remote ballot request system described in Section 20A-3a-107
878 is available for use:

879 "If you desire to have a ballot mailed to you in the 2026 elections and
880 beyond, you must submit to your county clerk a request form that is available
881 at [insert a uniform resource locator where a voter may access a copy of the
882 form online] or that you may obtain by mail, by calling [insert phone
883 number]."; or

884 (B) beginning on the day on which the online remote ballot request system
885 described in Section 20A-3a-107 is available for use:

886 "If you desire to have a ballot mailed to you in the 2026 elections and
887 beyond, you must submit a request:

888 • using the online remote ballot request system available at [insert a uniform
889 resource locator where a voter may access the online remote ballot request
890 system described in Section 20A-3a-107]; or

891 • by submitting to your county clerk a request form that is available at [insert
892 a uniform resource locator where a voter may access a copy of the form online]
893 or that you may obtain by mail, by calling [insert phone number]."; and

894 (iii) beginning on January 1, 2026, the following statement:

895 "If you desire to have a ballot mailed to you in the upcoming elections, you
896 must submit a request:

897 • using the online remote ballot request system available at [insert a uniform
898 resource locator where a voter may access the online remote ballot request system
899 described in Section 20A-3a-107]; or

900 • by submitting to your county clerk a request form that is available at [insert a
901 uniform resource locator where a voter may access a copy of the form online] or
902 that you may obtain by mail, by calling [insert phone number]."

903 (3) The lieutenant governor and the Driver License Division shall ensure that a qualifying
904 form contains:

905 (a) a place for an individual to affirm the individual's citizenship, voting eligibility, and
906 Utah residency, and that the information provided in the form is true;

907 (b) a records disclosure that is similar to the records disclosure on a voter registration
908 form described in Section 20A-2-104;

909 (c) a statement that if an applicant declines to register or preregister to vote, the fact that
910 the applicant has declined to register or preregister will remain confidential and will
911 be used only for voter registration purposes;

912 (d) a statement that if an applicant does register or preregister to vote, the office at which

913 the applicant submits a voter registration application will remain confidential and will
914 be used only for voter registration purposes; and

915 (e) if the applicant answers "yes" to the question described in Subsection (2)(a), a space
916 where an individual may, if desired:

917 (i) indicate the individual's desired political affiliation from a listing of each
918 registered political party, as defined in Section 20A-8-101;

919 (ii) specify a political party that is not listed under Subsection (3)(e)(i) with which the
920 individual desires to affiliate; or

921 (iii) indicate that the individual does not wish to affiliate with a political party.

922 Section 4. Section **20A-2-206** is amended to read:

923 **20A-2-206 . Electronic registration.**

924 (1) The lieutenant governor shall create and maintain an electronic system that is publicly
925 available on the Internet for an individual to apply for voter registration or
926 preregistration.

927 (2) An electronic system for voter registration or preregistration shall require:

928 (a) that an applicant have a valid driver license or identification card, issued under Title
929 53, Chapter 3, Uniform Driver License Act, that reflects the applicant's current
930 principal place of residence;

931 (b) that the applicant provide the information required by Section 20A-2-104, except
932 that the applicant's signature may be obtained in the manner described in Subsections
933 (2)(d) and (5);

934 (c) that the applicant attest to the truth of the information provided; and

935 (d) that the applicant authorize the lieutenant governor's and county clerk's use of the
936 applicant's:

937 (i) driver license or identification card signature, obtained under Title 53, Chapter 3,
938 Uniform Driver License Act, for voter registration purposes; or

939 (ii) signature on file in the lieutenant governor's statewide voter registration database
940 developed under Section 20A-2-502.

941 (3) Notwithstanding Section 20A-2-104, an applicant using the electronic system for voter
942 registration or preregistration created under this section is not required to complete a
943 printed registration form.

944 (4) A system created and maintained under this section shall provide the notices concerning
945 a voter's presentation of identification contained in Subsection [20A-2-104(1)]
946 20A-2-104(2).

- 947 (5) The lieutenant governor shall:
- 948 (a) obtain a digital copy of the applicant's driver license or identification card signature
949 from the Driver License Division; or
- 950 (b) ensure that the applicant's signature is already on file in the lieutenant governor's
951 statewide voter registration database developed under Section 20A-2-502.
- 952 (6) The lieutenant governor shall send the information to the county clerk for the county in
953 which the applicant's principal place of residence is found for further action as required
954 by Section 20A-2-304 after:
- 955 (a) receiving all information from an applicant; and
- 956 (b)(i) receiving all information from the Driver License Division; or
957 (ii) ensuring that the applicant's signature is already on file in the lieutenant
958 governor's statewide voter registration database developed under Section
959 20A-2-502.
- 960 (7) The lieutenant governor may use additional security measures to ensure the accuracy
961 and integrity of an electronically submitted voter registration.
- 962 (8) If an individual applies to register under this section no later than 11 calendar days
963 before the date of an election, the county clerk shall:
- 964 (a) accept and process the voter registration form;
- 965 (b) unless the individual named in the form is preregistering to vote:
- 966 (i) enter the applicant's name on the list of registered voters for the voting precinct in
967 which the applicant resides; and
- 968 (ii) notify the individual that the individual is registered to vote in the upcoming
969 election; and
- 970 (c) if the individual named in the form is preregistering to vote, comply with Section
971 20A-2-101.1.
- 972 (9) If an individual applies to register under this section after the deadline described in
973 Subsection (8), the county clerk shall, unless the individual is preregistering to vote:
- 974 (a) accept the application for registration; and
- 975 (b) except as provided in Subsection 20A-2-207(6), if possible, promptly inform the
976 individual that the individual will not be registered to vote in the pending election,
977 unless the individual registers to vote by provisional ballot during the early voting
978 period, if applicable, or on election day, in accordance with Section 20A-2-207.
- 979 (10) The lieutenant governor shall provide a means by which a registered voter shall sign
980 the application form.

981 Section 5. Section **20A-2-207** is amended to read:

982 **20A-2-207 . Registration by provisional ballot.**

983 (1) Except as provided in Subsection (6), an individual who is not registered to vote may
984 register to vote, and vote, on election day or during the early voting period described in
985 Section 20A-3a-601, by voting a provisional ballot, if:

986 (a) the individual is otherwise legally entitled to vote the ballot;

987 (b) the ballot is identical to the ballot for the precinct in which the individual resides;

988 (c) the information on the provisional ballot form is complete; and

989 (d) the individual provides valid voter identification and proof of residence to the poll
990 worker.

991 (2) If a provisional ballot and the individual who voted the ballot comply with the
992 requirements described in Subsection (1), the election officer shall:

993 (a) consider the provisional ballot a voter registration form;

994 (b) place the ballot with the other ballots, to be counted with those ballots at the canvass;
995 and

996 (c) as soon as reasonably possible, register the individual to vote.

997 (3) Except as provided in Subsection (4), the election officer shall retain a provisional ballot
998 form, uncounted, for the period specified in Section 20A-4-202, if the election officer
999 determines that the individual who voted the ballot:

1000 (a) is not registered to vote and is not eligible for registration under this section; or

1001 (b) is not legally entitled to vote the ballot that the individual voted.

1002 (4) Subsection (3) does not apply if a court orders the election officer to produce or count
1003 the provisional ballot.

1004 (5) The lieutenant governor shall report to the Government Operations Interim Committee
1005 on or before October 31, 2020, regarding:

1006 (a) implementation of registration by provisional ballot, as described in this section, on a
1007 statewide basis;

1008 (b) any difficulties resulting from the implementation described in Subsection (5)(a);

1009 (c) the effect of registration by provisional ballot on voter participation in Utah;

1010 (d) the number of ballots cast by voters who registered by provisional ballot:

1011 (i) during the early voting period described in Section 20A-3a-601; and

1012 (ii) on election day; and

1013 (e) suggested changes in the law relating to registration by provisional ballot.

1014 (6)(a) For an election administered by an election officer other than a county clerk[?],

1015 [(a)] if the election officer does not operate a polling place to allow early voting, the
 1016 individual may not register to vote, under this section, during an early voting period[;
 1017 and] .

1018 (b) [~~if the election officer does not operate a polling place on election day;~~] For an
 1019 election conducted entirely by mail under Section 20A-7-609.5:

1020 (i) there is not an early voting period during which the individual may register to vote
 1021 under this section; and

1022 (ii) [-]the individual may not register to vote, under this section, on election day.

1023 Section 6. Section **20A-2-505** is amended to read:

1024 **20A-2-505 . Removing names from the official register -- Determining and**
 1025 **confirming change of residence.**

1026 (1) A county clerk may not remove a voter's name from the official register on the grounds
 1027 that the voter has changed residence unless the voter:

1028 (a) confirms in writing that the voter has changed residence to a place outside the
 1029 county; or

1030 (b)(i) does not vote in an election during the period beginning on the date of the
 1031 notice described in Subsection (3), and ending on the day after the date of the
 1032 second regular general election occurring after the date of the notice; and

1033 (ii) does not respond to the notice described in Subsection (3).

1034 (2)(a) Within 31 days after the day on which a county clerk obtains information that a
 1035 voter's address has changed, if it appears that the voter still resides within the same
 1036 county, the county clerk shall:

1037 (i) change the official register to show the voter's new address; and

1038 (ii) send to the voter, by forwardable mail, the notice described in Subsection (3).

1039 (b) When a county clerk obtains information that a voter's address has changed and it
 1040 appears that the voter now resides in a different county, the county clerk shall verify
 1041 the changed residence by sending to the voter, by forwardable mail, the notice
 1042 described in Subsection (3), printed on a postage prepaid, preaddressed return form.

1043 (3)(a) Each county clerk shall use substantially the following form to notify voters whose
 1044 addresses have changed:

1045 "VOTER REGISTRATION NOTICE

1046 We have been notified that your residence has changed. Please read, complete, and
 1047 return this form so that we can update our voter registration records. What is your current
 1048 street address?

1049 _____
 1050 Street City County State Zip

1051 What is your current phone number (optional)? _____

1052 What is your current email address (optional)? _____

1053 If you have not changed your residence, or have moved but stayed within the same
 1054 county, you must complete and return this form to the county clerk so that it is received by the
 1055 county clerk before 5 p.m. no later than 30 days before the date of the election. If you fail to
 1056 return this form within that time:

1057 - you may be required to show evidence of your address to the poll worker before being
 1058 allowed to vote in either of the next two regular general elections; or

1059 - if you fail to vote at least once, from the date this notice was mailed until the passing of
 1060 two regular general elections, you will no longer be registered to vote. If you have changed
 1061 your residence and have moved to a different county in Utah, you may register to vote by
 1062 contacting the county clerk in your county.

1063 _____
 1064 Signature of Voter

1065 **PRIVACY INFORMATION**

1066 Voter registration records contain some information that is available to the public, such
 1067 as your name and address, some information that is available only to government entities, and
 1068 some information that is available only to certain third parties in accordance with the
 1069 requirements of law.

1070 Your driver license number, identification card number, social security number, email
 1071 address, full date of birth, and phone number are available only to government entities. Your
 1072 year of birth is available to political parties, candidates for public office, certain third parties,
 1073 and their contractors, employees, and volunteers, in accordance with the requirements of law.

1074 You may request that all information on your voter registration records be withheld from
 1075 all persons other than government entities, political parties, candidates for public office, and
 1076 their contractors, employees, and volunteers, by indicating here:

1077 _____ Yes, I request that all information on my voter registration records be withheld
 1078 from all persons other than government entities, political parties, candidates for public office,
 1079 and their contractors, employees, and volunteers.

1080 **REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL PRIVACY PROTECTION**

1081 In addition to the protections provided above, you may request that identifying
 1082 information on your voter registration records be withheld from all political parties, candidates

1083 for public office, and their contractors, employees, and volunteers, by submitting a
 1084 withholding request form, and any required verification, as described in the following
 1085 paragraphs.

1086 A person may request that identifying information on the person's voter registration
 1087 records be withheld from all political parties, candidates for public office, and their
 1088 contractors, employees, and volunteers, by submitting a withholding request form with this
 1089 registration record, or to the lieutenant governor or a county clerk, if the person is or is likely
 1090 to be, or resides with a person who is or is likely to be, a victim of domestic violence or dating
 1091 violence.

1092 A person may request that identifying information on the person's voter registration
 1093 records be withheld from all political parties, candidates for public office, and their
 1094 contractors, employees, and volunteers, by submitting a withholding request form and any
 1095 required verification with this registration form, or to the lieutenant governor or a county clerk,
 1096 if the person is, or resides with a person who is, a law enforcement officer, a member of the
 1097 armed forces, a public figure, or protected by a protective order or a protection order."

1098 (b) The form described in Subsection (3)(a) shall also include a section with the heading
 1099 "BALLOT NOTIFICATIONS," followed by statements in substantially the following form:

1100 [-----

1101 **BALLOT NOTIFICATIONS]**

1102 (i) the following statement:

1103 "If you have provided a phone number or email address, you can receive notifications by
 1104 text message or email regarding the status of a ballot that is mailed to you or a ballot that you
 1105 deposit in the mail or in a ballot drop box, by indicating here:

1106 _____ Yes, I would like to receive electronic notifications regarding the status of my
 1107 ballot.";

1108 [-----]

1109 (ii) before January 1, 2026, one of the following statements:

1110 (A) until the online remote ballot request system described in Section 20A-3a-107
 1111 is available for use:

1112 "If you desire to have a ballot mailed to you in the 2026 elections and
 1113 beyond, you must submit to your county clerk a request form that is available
 1114 at [insert a uniform resource locator where a voter may access a copy of the
 1115 form online] or that you may obtain by mail, by calling [insert phone
 1116 number]."; or

- 1117 (B) beginning on the day on which the online remote ballot request system
1118 described in Section 20A-3a-107 is available for use:
1119 "If you desire to have a ballot mailed to you in the 2026 elections and
1120 beyond, you must submit a request:
1121 • using the online remote ballot request system available at [insert a uniform
1122 resource locator where a voter may access the online remote ballot request
1123 system described in Section 20A-3a-107]; or
1124 • by submitting to your county clerk a request form that is available at [insert
1125 a uniform resource locator where a voter may access a copy of the form online]
1126 or that you may obtain by mail, by calling [insert phone number]."; and
- 1127 (iii) beginning on January 1, 2026, the following statement:
1128 "If you desire to have a ballot mailed to you in the upcoming elections, you
1129 must submit a request:
1130 • using the online remote ballot request system available at [insert a uniform
1131 resource locator where a voter may access the online remote ballot request system
1132 described in Section 20A-3a-107]; or
1133 • by submitting to your county clerk a request form that is available at [insert a
1134 uniform resource locator where a voter may access a copy of the form online] or
1135 that you may obtain by mail, by calling [insert phone number]."
- 1136 (4)(a) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(b), the county clerk may not remove the
1137 names of any voters from the official register during the 90 days before a regular
1138 primary election or the 90 days before a regular general election.
- 1139 (b) The county clerk may remove the names of voters from the official register during
1140 the 90 days before a regular primary election or the 90 days before a regular general
1141 election if:
1142 (i) the voter requests, in writing, that the voter's name be removed; or
1143 (ii) the voter dies.
- 1144 (c)(i) After a county clerk mails a notice under this section, the county clerk shall,
1145 unless otherwise prohibited by law, list that voter as inactive.
1146 (ii) If a county clerk receives a returned voter identification card, determines that
1147 there was no clerical error causing the card to be returned, and has no further
1148 information to contact the voter, the county clerk shall, unless otherwise
1149 prohibited by law, list that voter as inactive.
- 1150 (iii) An inactive voter may vote, sign petitions, and have all other privileges of a

- 1151 registered voter.
- 1152 (iv) A county is not required to:
- 1153 (A) send routine mailings to an inactive voter; or
- 1154 (B) count inactive voters when dividing precincts and preparing supplies.
- 1155 (5) The lieutenant governor shall make available to a county clerk United States Social
- 1156 Security Administration data received by the lieutenant governor regarding deceased
- 1157 individuals.
- 1158 (6) A county clerk shall, within ten business days after the day on which the county clerk
- 1159 receives the information described in Subsection (5) or Subsections 26B-8-114(11) and
- 1160 (12) relating to a decedent whose name appears on the official register, remove the
- 1161 decedent's name from the official register.
- 1162 (7) Ninety days before each primary and general election the lieutenant governor shall
- 1163 compare the information the lieutenant governor has received under Subsection
- 1164 26B-8-114(11) with the official register of voters to ensure that all deceased voters have
- 1165 been removed from the official register.

1166 Section 7. Section **20A-3a-106** is amended to read:

1167 **20A-3a-106 . Rulemaking authority relating to conducting an election.**

1168 The director of elections, within the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, may make rules,

1169 in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, establishing

1170 requirements for:

- 1171 (1) a return envelope described in Subsection [~~20A-3a-202(4)~~] 20A-3a-202(6), to ensure
- 1172 uniformity and security of the envelopes;
- 1173 (2) complying with the signature comparison audit requirements described in Section
- 1174 20A-3a-402.5; or
- 1175 (3) conducting and documenting the identity verification process described in Subsection
- 1176 20A-3a-401(7)(b).

1177 Section 8. Section **20A-3a-107** is enacted to read:

1178 **20A-3a-107 . Online remote ballot request system.**

- 1179 (1) As used in this section, "ballot request system" means the online remote ballot request
- 1180 system described in Subsection (2).
- 1181 (2) Beginning no later than January 1, 2026, the lieutenant governor shall establish and
- 1182 operate an online remote ballot request system for a voter to request to:
- 1183 (a) receive a ballot by mail in upcoming elections; or
- 1184 (b) stop receiving a ballot by mail in upcoming elections.

- 1185 (3) The ballot request system:
- 1186 (a) may be part of, or separate from, the electronic voter registration system described in
- 1187 Section 20A-2-206;
- 1188 (b) shall provide the ability for a voter to securely request a remote ballot in upcoming
- 1189 elections;
- 1190 (c) shall provide the ability for a voter to securely request to stop receiving a remote
- 1191 ballot in upcoming elections;
- 1192 (d) shall provide the following notice to a voter requesting to receive a ballot by mail or
- 1193 to stop receiving a ballot by mail:
- 1194 "NOTICE
- 1195 If your request to receive a ballot by mail in the upcoming elections, or to stop
- 1196 receiving a ballot by mail in the upcoming elections, is made within 60 days before
- 1197 the day of the next election, you may be required to wait until the following election
- 1198 before your request takes effect.
- 1199 If you fail to vote in a regular general election, you will no longer receive a ballot
- 1200 by mail in the upcoming elections, unless you make a new request to receive a ballot
- 1201 by mail in the upcoming elections."; and
- 1202 (e) shall allow a voter to enter an alternate address at which to receive a ballot by mail.
- 1203 Section 9. Section **20A-3a-202** is amended to read:
- 1204 **20A-3a-202 . Conducting election in person and by mail.**
- 1205 (1) As used in this section:
- 1206 (a) "Covered voter" means the same as that term is defined in Section 20A-16-102.
- 1207 (b) "Remote voter" means:
- 1208 (i) a voter designated as a remote voter in accordance with Subsection (2)(c) or
- 1209 (3)(c); or
- 1210 (ii) a covered voter.
- 1211 (c) "Request for a remote ballot" means:
- 1212 (i) submitting a request described in Subsection (11)(a) or (b); or
- 1213 (ii) as soon as the online remote ballot request system described in Section
- 1214 20A-3a-107 is available for use, submitting a request described in Subsection
- 1215 20A-3a-107(3)(b).
- 1216 (d) "Request to stop receiving a remote ballot" means a request described in Subsection
- 1217 (11)(c) or 20A-3a-107(3)(c).
- 1218 [(+)] (2) Before January 1, 2026:

- 1219 (a) [~~Except~~] except as otherwise provided for an election conducted entirely by mail
 1220 under Section 20A-7-609.5, an election officer shall administer an election primarily
 1221 by mail[~~, in accordance with this section.~~] ;
- 1222 (b) [~~An~~] an individual who did not provide valid voter identification at the time the voter
 1223 registered to vote shall provide valid voter identification before voting[-] ;
- 1224 (c) an election officer shall designate a voter as a remote voter if the voter makes a
 1225 request for a remote ballot;
- 1226 (d) an election officer shall remove the designation of a voter as a remote voter if, after
 1227 the election officer designates the voter as a remote voter under Subsection (2)(c), the
 1228 voter submits a request to stop receiving a remote ballot; and
- 1229 [(2)] (e) [~~An~~] an election officer who administers an election:
- 1230 [(a)] (i) shall in accordance with Subsection [(3)] (5), no sooner than 21 days before
 1231 election day and no later than seven days before election day, mail to each active
 1232 voter within a voting precinct:
- 1233 [(i)] (A) a manual ballot;
- 1234 [(ii)] (B) a return envelope;
- 1235 [(iii)] (C) instructions for returning the ballot that include[~~an express notice about~~
 1236 ~~any relevant deadlines that the voter must meet in order for the voter's vote to~~
 1237 ~~be counted;~~] the following statement:
- 1238 "You must comply with the following deadlines for your ballot to be
 1239 counted:
- 1240 •If you return your ballot by mail, your ballot must be received in the office
 1241 of the election officer before 8 p.m. on [insert day of election].
- 1242 •If you return your ballot by placing it in a ballot drop box, or in a ballot box
 1243 at a polling place, you must place your ballot in the ballot drop box or ballot
 1244 box before 8 p.m. on [insert day of election] (if there is a line at 8 p.m., those in
 1245 line at that time will be permitted to place their ballot in the ballot drop box or
 1246 ballot box).
- 1247 * Note: Certain exceptions apply to a covered voter under Title 20A,
 1248 Chapter 16, Uniform Military and Overseas Voters Act.";
- 1249 [(iv)] (D) for an election administered by a county clerk, information regarding the
 1250 location and hours of operation of any election day voting center at which the
 1251 voter may vote or a website address where the voter may view this information;
- 1252 [(v)] (E) for an election administered by an election officer other than a county

1253 clerk, if the election officer does not operate a polling place or an election day
 1254 voting center, a warning, on a separate page of colored paper in bold face print,
 1255 indicating that if the voter fails to follow the instructions included with the
 1256 ballot, the voter will be unable to vote in that election because there will be no
 1257 polling place for the voting precinct on the day of the election; and
 1258 ~~[(vi)]~~ (F) instructions on how a voter may sign up to receive electronic ballot status
 1259 notifications via the ballot tracking system described in Section 20A-3a-401.5;
 1260 ~~[(b)]~~ (ii) may not mail a ballot ~~[under this section]~~ to:
 1261 ~~[(i)]~~ (A) an inactive voter, unless the inactive voter requests a manual ballot; or
 1262 ~~[(ii)]~~ (B) a voter ~~[whom the election officer is prohibited from sending a ballot~~
 1263 ~~under Subsection (9)(e)(ii)]~~ who timely submits a request to stop receiving a
 1264 remote ballot;
 1265 ~~[(e)]~~ (iii) shall, on the outside of the envelope in which the election officer mails the
 1266 ballot, include instructions for returning the ballot if the individual to whom the
 1267 election officer mails the ballot does not live at the address to which the ballot is
 1268 sent;
 1269 ~~[(d)]~~ (iv) shall provide a method of accessible voting to a voter with a disability who
 1270 is not able to vote by mail; and
 1271 ~~[(e)]~~ (v) shall include, on the election officer's website and with each ballot mailed,
 1272 instructions regarding how a voter described in Subsection ~~[(2)(d)]~~ (2)(e)(iv) may
 1273 vote.

1274 (3) Beginning on January 1, 2026:

- 1275 (a) except as otherwise provided for an election conducted entirely by mail under
 1276 Section 20A-7-609.5, an election officer shall administer an election in person and by
 1277 mail;
 1278 (b) an individual who did not provide valid voter identification at the time the voter
 1279 registered to vote shall provide valid voter identification before voting;
 1280 (c) an election officer shall designate a voter as a remote voter if the voter makes a
 1281 request for a remote ballot;
 1282 (d) an election officer shall remove the designation of a voter as a remote voter if, after
 1283 the election officer designates the voter as a remote voter under Subsection (2)(c) or
 1284 (3)(c), the voter:
 1285 (i) submits a request to stop receiving a remote ballot; or
 1286 (ii) except as provided in Subsection (4), fails to vote in a regular general election;

- 1287 (e) an election officer is not required to comply with a request for a remote ballot or a
1288 request to stop receiving a remote ballot for an election held within 60 days after the
1289 day on which the election officer receives the request, but shall comply with the
1290 request for the next election held 61 or more days after the day on which the election
1291 officer receives the request;
- 1292 (f) an election officer who administers an election:
- 1293 (i) shall in accordance with Subsection (5), no sooner than 21 days before election
1294 day and no later than seven days before election day, mail to each voter within a
1295 voting precinct who, on the day that is 60 days before the day of the election, is a
1296 remote voter:
- 1297 (A) a manual ballot;
- 1298 (B) a return envelope;
- 1299 (C) instructions for returning the ballot that include the following statement:
1300 "You must comply with the following deadlines for your ballot to be
1301 counted:
- 1302 •If you return your ballot by mail, your ballot must be received in the office
1303 of the election officer before 8 p.m. on [insert day of election].
- 1304 •If you return your ballot by placing it in a ballot drop box, or in a ballot box
1305 at a polling place, you must place your ballot in the ballot drop box or ballot
1306 box before 8 p.m. on [insert day of election] (if there is a line at 8 p.m., those in
1307 line at that time will be permitted to place their ballot in the ballot drop box or
1308 ballot box).
- 1309 * Note: Certain exceptions apply to a covered voter under Title 20A,
1310 Chapter 16, Uniform Military and Overseas Voters Act.";
- 1311 (D) except as provided in Subsection (3)(f)(i)(E), information regarding the
1312 location and hours of operation of each election day voting center at which the
1313 voter may vote or a website address where the voter may view this information;
- 1314 (E) for an election conducted entirely by mail under Section 20A-7-609.5, a
1315 warning, on a separate page of colored paper in bold face print, indicating that
1316 if the voter fails to follow the instructions included with the ballot, the voter
1317 will be unable to vote in that election because there will be no polling place for
1318 the voting precinct on the day of the election; and
- 1319 (F) instructions on how a voter may sign up to receive electronic ballot status
1320 notifications via the ballot tracking system described in Section 20A-3a-401.5;

- 1321 (ii) may not mail a ballot to an inactive voter, unless the inactive voter requests a
 1322 manual ballot;
- 1323 (iii) may, but is not required to, mail a ballot to a voter who, on the day that is 60
 1324 days before the day of the election, is not designated as a remote voter, but who
 1325 submits a request for a remote ballot within the 60 days before the day of the
 1326 election;
- 1327 (iv) shall, on the outside of the envelope in which the election officer mails the ballot,
 1328 include instructions for returning the ballot if the individual to whom the election
 1329 officer mails the ballot does not live at the address to which the ballot is sent;
- 1330 (v) shall provide a method of accessible voting to a voter with a disability who is not
 1331 able to vote by mail; and
- 1332 (vi) shall include, on the election officer's website and with each ballot mailed,
 1333 instructions regarding how a voter described in Subsection (v) may vote.
- 1334 (4) An election officer may not remove the designation of a remote voter for failure of the
 1335 vote in a regular general election if the voter is a covered voter.
- 1336 ~~[(3)]~~ (5)(a) An election officer who mails a manual ballot under Subsection ~~[(2)]~~ (2)(e)(i)
 1337 or (3)(f)(i) shall mail the manual ballot to the~~[-address]:~~
- 1338 (i) address provided at the time of registration; or
- 1339 (ii) alternate address provided by the voter, if~~[-]~~ :
- 1340 (A) at or after the time of registration, the voter files an alternate address request
 1341 form described in ~~[Subsection (3)(b), the alternate address indicated on the~~
 1342 ~~form.]~~ Subsection (5)(b); or
- 1343 (B) the voter provides an alternate address when making a request for a remote
 1344 ballot.
- 1345 (b) The lieutenant governor shall make available to voters an alternate address request
 1346 form that permits a voter to request that the election officer mail the voter's ballot to a
 1347 location other than the voter's residence.
- 1348 (c) A voter shall provide the completed alternate address request form to the election
 1349 officer no later than 11 days before the day of the election.
- 1350 ~~[(4)]~~ (6) The return envelope shall include:
- 1351 (a) the name, official title, and post office address of the election officer on the front of
 1352 the envelope;
- 1353 (b) a space where a voter may write an email address and phone number by which the
 1354 election officer may contact the voter if the voter's ballot is rejected;

1355 (c) a printed affidavit in substantially the following form:

1356 "County of ____ State of ____

1357 I, ____, solemnly swear that: I am a qualified resident voter of the ____ voting precinct

1358 in ____ County, Utah and that I am entitled to vote in this election. I am not a convicted felon

1359 currently incarcerated for commission of a felony.

1360 _____

1361 Signature of Voter"; [and]

1362 (d) a warning that the affidavit must be signed by the individual to whom the ballot was

1363 sent and that the ballot will not be counted if the signature on the affidavit does not

1364 match the signature on file with the election officer of the individual to whom the

1365 ballot was sent[-] ; and

1366 (e) for an election held in 2025, the applicable statement described in Subsection

1367 20A-2-104(2)(b)(ii).

1368 [~~5~~] (7) If the election officer determines that the voter is required to show valid voter

1369 identification, the election officer may:

1370 (a) mail a ballot to the voter;

1371 (b) instruct the voter to include a copy of the voter's valid voter identification with the

1372 return ballot; and

1373 (c) provide instructions to the voter on how the voter may sign up to receive electronic

1374 ballot status notifications via the ballot tracking system described in Section

1375 20A-3a-401.5.

1376 [~~6~~] (8) An election officer who administers an election shall:

1377 (a)(i) before the election, obtain the signatures of each voter qualified to vote in the

1378 election; or

1379 (ii) obtain the signature of each voter within the voting precinct from the county

1380 clerk; and

1381 (b) maintain the signatures on file in the election officer's office.

1382 [~~7~~] (9) Upon receipt of a returned ballot, the election officer shall review and process the

1383 ballot under Section 20A-3a-401.

1384 [~~8~~] (10) A county that administers an election:

1385 (a) shall, for an election held in 2025, provide at least one election day voting center in

1386 accordance with Part 7, Election Day Voting Center, and at least one additional

1387 election day voting center for every 5,000 active voters in the county who have

1388 requested to not receive a ballot by mail;

- 1389 (b) shall, beginning in 2026, provide at least one election day voting center in
 1390 accordance with Part 7, Election Day Voting Center, and at least one additional
 1391 election day voting center for every 5,000 active voters in the county who are not
 1392 remote voters;
- 1393 ~~[(b)]~~ (c) shall ensure that each election day voting center operated by the county has at
 1394 least one voting device that is accessible, in accordance with the Help America Vote
 1395 Act of 2002, Pub. L. No. 107-252, for individuals with disabilities;
- 1396 ~~[(e)]~~ (d) may reduce the early voting period described in Section 20A-3a-601, if:
 1397 (i) the county clerk conducts early voting on at least four days;
 1398 (ii) the early voting days are within the period beginning on the date that is 14 days
 1399 before the date of the election and ending on the day before the election; and
 1400 (iii) the county clerk provides notice of the reduced early voting period in accordance
 1401 with Section 20A-3a-604; and
- 1402 ~~[(d)]~~ (e) is not required to pay return postage for a ballot.
- 1403 (11)(a) Except as provided in Subsection (11)(b), beginning on May 7, 2025, a voter
 1404 may, on a form created by the lieutenant governor, submit to an election officer a
 1405 request indicating that the voter desires to receive a ballot by mail in the 2026
 1406 elections and beyond.
- 1407 (b) Beginning on January 1, 2026, a voter may, on a form created by the lieutenant
 1408 governor, submit to an election officer a request indicating that the voter desires to
 1409 receive a ballot by mail in the upcoming elections.
- 1410 (c) Beginning on May 7, 2025, a voter may, on a form created by the lieutenant
 1411 governor, submit to an election officer a request indicating that the voter desires to
 1412 stop receiving a ballot by mail in the upcoming elections.
- 1413 (d) An election officer may not require an active voter to file a new voter registration
 1414 form in order to make a request described in Subsections (11)(a) through (c).
- 1415 (e) A form described in Subsection (11)(a), (b), or (c) shall include the notice described
 1416 in Subsection 20A-3a-107(3)(d).
- 1417 (f) A form described in Subsection (11)(a) or (b) shall allow a voter to enter an alternate
 1418 address at which to receive a ballot by mail.
- 1419 ~~[(9)]~~(a) An individual may request that the election officer not send the individual a
 1420 ballot by mail in the next and subsequent elections by submitting a written request to
 1421 the election officer.]
- 1422 (b) An individual shall submit the request described in Subsection (9)(a) to the election

- 1423 officer before 5 p.m. no later than 60 days before an election if the individual does
 1424 not wish to receive a ballot by mail in that election.]
- 1425 [(e) An election officer who receives a request from an individual under Subsection
 1426 (9)(a):]
 1427 [(i) shall remove the individual's name from the list of voters who will receive a
 1428 ballot by mail; and]
 1429 [(ii) may not send the individual a ballot by mail for:]
 1430 [(A) the next election, if the individual submits the request described in
 1431 Subsection (9)(a) before the deadline described in Subsection (9)(b); or]
 1432 [(B) an election after the election described in Subsection (9)(c)(ii)(A).]
- 1433 [(d) An individual who submits a request under Subsection (9)(a) may resume the
 1434 individual's receipt of a ballot by mail by submitting a written request to the election
 1435 officer.]
- 1436 Section 10. Section **20A-3a-204** is amended to read:
 1437 **20A-3a-204 . Marking and depositing ballots -- Deadlines.**
- 1438 (1) To vote by mail:
- 1439 (a) except as provided in Subsection (6), the voter shall prepare the voter's manual ballot
 1440 by marking the appropriate space with a mark opposite the name of each candidate of
 1441 the voter's choice for each office to be filled;
- 1442 (b) if a ballot proposition is submitted to a vote of the people, the voter shall mark the
 1443 appropriate space with a mark opposite the answer the voter intends to make;
- 1444 (c) except as provided in Subsection (6), the voter shall record a write-in vote in
 1445 accordance with Subsection 20A-3a-206(1);
- 1446 (d) except as provided in Subsection (6), a mark is not required opposite the name of a
 1447 write-in candidate; and
- 1448 (e) the voter shall:
- 1449 (i) complete and sign the affidavit on the return envelope;
- 1450 (ii) place the voted ballot in the return envelope;
- 1451 (iii) if required, place a copy of the voter's valid voter identification in the return
 1452 envelope;
- 1453 (iv) securely seal the return envelope; and
- 1454 (v)(A) attach postage, if necessary, and deposit the return envelope in the mail; or
 1455 (B) place the return envelope in a ballot drop box, designated by the election
 1456 officer, for the precinct where the voter resides.

- 1457 (2)(a) Except as otherwise provided in [~~Section 20A-16-404~~] Sections 20A-16-404 and
1458 20A-16-408, to be valid, a ballot that is [~~mailed~~] returned by mail must be[~~:~~]
1459 [~~(i) clearly postmarked before election day, or otherwise clearly marked by the post~~
1460 ~~office as received by the post office before election day; and~~
1461 [~~(ii)] received in the office of the election officer before [noon on the day of the~~
1462 ~~official canvass following the election]~~ 8 p.m. on the day of the election.
- 1463 (b) Except as provided in Sections 20A-16-404 and 20A-16-408 or Subsection (2)(c), to
1464 be valid, a ballot that is not returned by mail shall, before the polls close on election
1465 day, be deposited in:
1466 (i) a ballot box at a polling place; or
1467 (ii) a ballot drop box designated by an election officer for the jurisdiction to which
1468 the ballot relates.
- 1469 (c) An election officer may, but is not required to, forward a ballot deposited in a ballot
1470 drop box in the wrong jurisdiction to the correct jurisdiction.
- 1471 (d) An election officer shall ensure that a voter who is, at or before 8 p.m., in line at a
1472 ballot drop box, with a sealed return envelope containing a ballot in the voter's
1473 possession, to deposit the ballot in the ballot drop box.
- 1474 (3) Except as provided in Subsection (4), to vote at a polling place the voter shall, after
1475 complying with Subsections (1)(a) through (d):
1476 (a) sign the official register or pollbook; and
1477 (b)(i) place the ballot in the ballot box; or
1478 (ii) if the ballot is a provisional ballot, place the ballot in the provisional ballot
1479 envelope, complete the information printed on the provisional ballot envelope, and
1480 deposit the provisional ballot envelope in the provisional ballot box.
- 1481 (4)(a) An individual with a disability may vote a mechanical ballot at a polling place.
1482 (b) An individual other than an individual with a disability may vote a mechanical ballot
1483 at a polling place if permitted by the election officer.
- 1484 (5) To vote a mechanical ballot, the voter shall:
1485 (a) make the selections according to the instructions provided for the voting device; and
1486 (b) subject to Subsection (6), record a write-in vote by:
1487 (i) selecting the appropriate position for entering a write-in candidate; and
1488 (ii) using the voting device to enter the name of the valid write-in candidate for
1489 whom the voter wishes to vote.
- 1490 (6) To vote in an instant runoff voting race under Title 20A, Chapter 4, Part 6, Municipal

- 1491 Alternate Voting Methods Pilot Project, a voter:
- 1492 (a) shall indicate, as directed on the ballot, the name of the candidate who is the voter's
- 1493 first preference for the office; and
- 1494 (b) may indicate, as directed on the ballot, the names of the remaining candidates in
- 1495 order of the voter's preference.
- 1496 (7) A voter who votes at a polling place:
- 1497 (a) shall mark and cast or deposit the ballot without delay and shall leave the voting area
- 1498 after voting; and
- 1499 (b) may not:
- 1500 (i) occupy a voting booth occupied by another, except as provided in Section
- 1501 20A-3a-208;
- 1502 (ii) remain within the voting area more than 10 minutes; or
- 1503 (iii) occupy a voting booth for more than five minutes if all booths are in use and
- 1504 other voters are waiting to occupy a voting booth.
- 1505 (8) If the official register shows any voter as having voted, that voter may not reenter the
- 1506 voting area during that election unless that voter is an election official or watcher.
- 1507 (9) A poll worker may not, at a polling place, allow more than four voters more than the
- 1508 number of voting booths into the voting area at one time unless those excess voters are:
- 1509 (a) election officials;
- 1510 (b) watchers; or
- 1511 (c) assisting voters with a disability.
- 1512 Section 11. Section **20A-5-411** is enacted to read:
- 1513 **20A-5-411 . Notice of change in requirements for receiving a ballot by mail.**
- 1514 (1) Except as provided in Subsection (3), before January 1, 2026, an election officer shall
- 1515 provide the written notice described in Subsection (4) to each active voter, as follows:
- 1516 (a) an election officer who mails a ballot to an active voter for the 2025 municipal
- 1517 primary election shall mail the notice with the ballot to each active voter to whom the
- 1518 notice was not mailed previously; and
- 1519 (b) an election officer who mails a ballot to an active voter for the 2025 municipal
- 1520 general election shall mail the notice with the ballot to each active voter to whom the
- 1521 notice was not mailed previously.
- 1522 (2) Except as provided in Subsection (3), after the election officers mail ballots for the 2025
- 1523 municipal general election, but before January 1, 2026, a county clerk shall mail the
- 1524 written notice described in Subsection (4), to each active voter who resides in the county

- 1525 to whom the notice was not mailed previously.
- 1526 (3) An election officer or county clerk is not required to comply with the requirements
1527 described in Subsections (1) and (2) in relation to an active voter who, on or after May
1528 7, 2025:
- 1529 (a) submits a request for a remote ballot, as defined in Subsection 20A-3a-202(1); or
1530 (b) submits a request to stop receiving a remote ballot, as defined in Subsection
1531 20A-3a-202(1); or
1532 (c) submits a ballot in a return envelope.
- 1533 (4) The written notice described in this section shall be in substantially the following form:
- 1534 (a) if, at the time the notice is sent, the online remote ballot request system described in
1535 Section 20A-3a-107 is not available for use:
1536 "IMPORTANT ELECTIONS NOTICE
1537 Currently, election officers are required to mail ballots to each active voter unless
1538 the voter requests otherwise.
1539 Beginning in 2026, you will no longer receive a ballot by mail unless you request
1540 to receive a ballot by mail.
1541 If you desire to have a ballot mailed to you in the 2026 elections and beyond, you
1542 must submit a request:
- 1543 • by submitting to your county clerk a request form that is available at [insert a
1544 uniform resource locator where a voter may access a copy of the form online] or that
1545 you may obtain by mail, by calling [insert phone number]; or
 - 1546 • on or after [insert January 1, 2026, or an earlier date if the online remote ballot
1547 request system will be available for use on a known date before January 1, 2026]
1548 using the online remote ballot request system available at [insert a uniform resource
1549 locator where a voter may access the online remote ballot request system described in
1550 Section 20A-3a-107].
- 1551 You must resubmit a request to receive a ballot by mail if you fail to vote in a
1552 regular general election.
- 1553 *Note: Certain exceptions apply to a covered voter under Title 20A, Chapter 16,
1554 Uniform Military and Overseas Voters Act."
- 1555 (b) The written notice described in this section shall be in substantially the following
1556 form if, at the time the notice is sent, the online remote ballot request system
1557 described in Section 20A-3a-107 is available for use:
1558 "IMPORTANT ELECTIONS NOTICE

1559 Currently, election officers are required to mail ballots to each active voter unless
1560 the voter requests otherwise.
1561 Beginning in 2026, you will no longer receive a ballot by mail unless you request
1562 to receive a ballot by mail.
1563 If you desire to have a ballot mailed to you in the 2026 elections and beyond, you
1564 must submit a request:
1565 • using the online remote ballot request system available at [insert a uniform
1566 resource locator where a voter may access the online remote ballot request system
1567 described in Section 20A-3a-107]; or
1568 • by submitting to your county clerk a request form that is available at [insert a
1569 uniform resource locator where a voter may access a copy of the form online] or that
1570 you may obtain by mail, by calling [insert phone number].
1571 You must resubmit a request to receive a ballot by mail if you fail to vote in a
1572 regular general election.
1573 *Note: Certain exceptions apply to a covered voter under Title 20A, Chapter 16,
1574 Uniform Military and Overseas Voters Act."
1575 (5) The lieutenant governor shall issue press releases and take other action, as the chief
1576 election officer determines is needed, to notify the public of the change in requirements
1577 for receiving a ballot by mail.
1578 Section 12. Section **20A-9-808** is amended to read:
1579 **20A-9-808 . Voting.**
1580 Voting in a presidential primary election shall be conducted in accordance with the
1581 procedures of Section [~~20A-3a-203~~] 20A-3a-202.
1582 Section 13. **Effective Date.**
1583 This bill takes effect on May 7, 2025.