1	<b>ELECTION DAY VOTER REGISTRATION</b>
2	2006 GENERAL SESSION
3	STATE OF UTAH
4	Chief Sponsor: Neil A. Hansen
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6 7	LONG TITLE
8	General Description:
9	This bill modifies the Election Code to permit election day voter registration.
10	Highlighted Provisions:
11	This bill:
12	<ul> <li>modifies the Election Code to permit individuals to register to vote at their voting</li> </ul>
13	precinct's polling place on the date of the election;
14	<ul> <li>modifies the Election Code to permit voters to change their party affiliation at their</li> </ul>
15	voting precinct's polling place on the date of the election, with the exception of
16	municipal primary elections;
17	<ul> <li>requires county clerks to provide election day registration information to any</li> </ul>
18	individual that seeks to register in person at the county clerk's office within the
19	seven-day period before an election;
20	<ul> <li>requires county clerks to provide election day registration information to any</li> </ul>
21	individual that submits untimely or incomplete voter registration forms by mail,
22	with driver license forms, or through voter registration agencies, and requires the
23	clerk to notify the individual that the individual is not registered; and
24	<ul> <li>makes technical changes.</li> </ul>
25	Monies Appropriated in this Bill:
26	None
27	Other Special Clauses:

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8	None
)	Utah Code Sections Affected:
)	AMENDS:
-	20A-2-107, as last amended by Chapter 328, Laws of Utah 2000
2	20A-2-201, as last amended by Chapter 45, Laws of Utah 1999
3	20A-2-202, as last amended by Chapter 117, Laws of Utah 2003
ŀ	20A-2-204, as last amended by Chapters 10, 24 and 183, Laws of Utah 1997
5	20A-2-205, as last amended by Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 1996, Second Special Session
5	20A-2-304, as enacted by Chapter 311, Laws of Utah 1994
,	20A-3-104, as last amended by Chapter 37, Laws of Utah 2003
8	20A-3-104.5, as last amended by Chapter 159, Laws of Utah 2003
)	20A-9-808, as last amended by Chapter 117, Laws of Utah 2003
)	ENACTS:
	<b>20A-2-201.5</b> , Utah Code Annotated 1953
	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
ļ	Section 1. Section <b>20A-2-107</b> is amended to read:
	20A-2-107. Designating or changing party affiliation.
	(1) For each person who registers to vote on or after May 1, 2000, the county clerk
	shall:
	(a) record the party affiliation designated by the voter on the voter registration form as
	the voter's party affiliation; or
	(b) if no political party affiliation is designated by the voter on the voter registration
	form, record the voter's party affiliation as "unaffiliated."
2	(2) [(a) Any] Subject to the provisions of Subsection (3), any registered voter may
;	designate or change the voter's political party affiliation by [complying with the procedures and
-	requirements of this Subsection (2). (b) Except for the 20 days immediately before a regular
	primary election, any registered voter may designate or change the voter's political party
)	affiliation by] filing a signed form [with the county clerk] that identifies the registered political
7	party with which the voter chooses to affiliate[-] with the:
3	(a) county clerk; or

59	(b) election judge at the polling place for the voter's voting precinct on the date of a
60	regular general election, municipal general election, municipal primary election, bond election,
61	or special election.
62	(3) A registered voter may not change the voter's political party affiliation during the
63	period which commences 20 days before a regular primary election and continues through the
64	date of the regular primary election.
65	Section 2. Section <b>20A-2-201</b> is amended to read:
66	20A-2-201. Registering to vote at office of county clerk.
67	(1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), the county clerk shall register to vote all
68	persons who present themselves for registration at the county clerk's office during designated
69	office hours if those persons, on voting day, will be legally qualified [and entitled] to vote in a
70	voting precinct in the county.
71	(2) During the seven calendar days immediately before any scheduled election, the
72	county clerk shall provide all persons who present themselves for registration with:
73	[(a) accept registration forms from all persons who present themselves for registration
74	at the clerk's office during designated office hours if those persons, on voting day, will be
75	legally qualified and entitled to vote in a voting precinct in the county; and]
76	[(b) inform them that they will be registered to vote but may not vote in the pending
77	election because they registered too late.]
78	(a) notice that the person may register to vote on the day of the election by appearing in
79	person at the polling place for the voting precinct in which the person maintains residence
80	during the hours the polls are open;
81	(b) the location of the person's local voting precinct, unless the person declines to
82	provide residency information; and
83	(c) notice that the person will be required to meet the requirements of Section
84	20A-2-201.5 in order to register to vote on election day.
85	Section 3. Section <b>20A-2-201.5</b> is enacted to read:
86	<b>20A-2-201.5.</b> Registration on election day.
87	(1) The election judges for each voting precinct shall register to vote all persons who
88	present themselves for registration during the hours that the polls are open if:
89	(a) the person is legally qualified to vote as of the election date;

90	(b) the person appears, in person during the hours that the polls are open, at the polling
91	place for the voting precinct in which the person has his principal place of residence; and
92	(c) the person completes a voter registration form according to the procedures and
93	requirements of Section 20A-2-104.
94	(2) A person may register to vote on election day as provided in this section on the date
95	of any regular general election, municipal general election, regular primary election, municipal
96	primary election, special election, bond election, or the Western States Presidential Primary.
97	Section 4. Section <b>20A-2-202</b> is amended to read:
98	20A-2-202. Registration by mail.
99	(1) (a) A citizen who will be qualified to vote at the next election may register by mail.
100	(b) To register by mail, a citizen shall complete and sign the by-mail registration form
101	and mail or deliver it to the county clerk of the county in which the citizen resides.
102	(c) (i) In order to register to vote in a particular election, the citizen shall:
103	(A) address the by-mail voter registration form to the county clerk; and
104	(B) ensure that it is postmarked at least 20 days before the date of the election.
105	(ii) If the voter is registering for the first time in the county, the citizen shall either:
106	(A) submit a copy of a proof of identification or proof of residence with the by-mail
107	voter registration form; or
108	(B) submit proof of identification or proof of residence to the election judge at the time
109	the citizen votes.
110	(d) The citizen has effectively registered to vote under this section only when the
111	county clerk's office has received a correctly completed by-mail voter registration form.
112	(2) Upon receipt of a correctly completed by-mail voter registration form, the county
113	clerk shall:
114	(a) enter the applicant's name on the list of registered voters for the voting precinct in
115	which the applicant resides; and
116	(b) mail confirmation of registration to the newly registered voter after entering the
117	applicant's voting precinct number on that copy.
118	(3) (a) If the county clerk receives a correctly completed by-mail voter registration
119	form that is postmarked less than 20 days before an election or that is received in the six
120	calendar days before an election, the county clerk shall[: (i) register the applicant after the next

121	election; and (ii)] promptly mail a notice to the applicant and, if possible, promptly phone [or
122	mail a notice to the applicant before the election, informing the applicant that his registration
123	will not be effective until after the election.] the applicant, to provide the applicant with:
124	(i) notice that the registration form was either not timely mailed or not timely received;
125	(ii) notice that the person may register to vote on the day of the election by appearing,
126	in person during the hours that the polls are open, at the polling place for the voting precinct in
127	which the person has his principal place of residence;
128	(iii) the location of the person's local voting precinct; and
129	(iv) notice that the person will be required to meet the requirements of Section
130	20A-2-201.5 in order to register to vote on election day.
131	(b) When the county clerk receives by-mail voter registration forms at least seven days
132	before an election that are postmarked at least 20 days before the election, the county clerk
133	shall:
134	(i) process the by-mail voter registration forms; and
135	(ii) record the new voters in the official register and posting list.
136	(4) If the county clerk determines that a registration form received by mail or otherwise
137	is incorrect because of an error or because it is incomplete, the county clerk shall mail notice to
138	the person attempting to register[ <del>, informing him</del> ] to provide the person with:
139	(a) notice that [he] the person has not been registered because of an error or because
140	the form is incomplete[ <del>.</del> ];
141	(b) notice that the person may register to vote on the day of the election by appearing,
142	in person during the hours that the polls are open, at the polling place for the voting precinct in
143	which the person has his principal place of residence;
144	(c) the location of the person's local voting precinct, if the voting precinct may be
145	determined from the information provided on the registration form; and
146	(d) notice that the person will be required to meet the requirements of Section
147	20A-2-201.5 in order to register to vote on election day.
148	Section 5. Section <b>20A-2-204</b> is amended to read:
149	20A-2-204. Registering to vote when applying for or renewing a driver license.
150	(1) As used in this section, "voter registration form" means the driver license
151	application/voter registration form and the driver license renewal/voter registration form

152	required by Section 20A-2-108.
153	(2) Any citizen who is qualified to vote may register to vote by completing the voter
154	registration form.
155	(3) The Driver License Division shall:
156	(a) assist applicants in completing the voter registration form unless the applicant
157	refuses assistance;
158	(b) accept completed forms for transmittal to the appropriate election official;
159	(c) transmit a copy of each voter registration form to the appropriate election official
160	within five days after it is received by the division;
161	(d) transmit each address change within five days after it is received by the division;
162	and
163	(e) transmit electronically to the lieutenant governor's office the name, address, birth
164	date, and driver license number of each person who answers "yes" to the question on the driver
165	license form about registering to vote.
166	(4) Upon receipt of a correctly completed voter registration form, the county clerk
167	shall:
168	(a) enter the applicant's name on the list of registered voters for the voting precinct in
169	which the applicant resides; and
170	(b) notify the applicant of registration.
171	(5) (a) If the county clerk receives a correctly completed voter registration form that is
172	dated less than 20 days before an election or that is received in the six calendars days before an
173	election, the county clerk shall[: (i) register the applicant after the next election; and (ii)]
174	promptly mail a notice to the applicant and, if possible, promptly phone [or mail a notice to]
175	the applicant [before the election, informing the applicant that his registration will not be
176	effective until after the election.] to provide the applicant with:
177	(i) notice that the registration form was either not timely mailed or not timely received;
178	(ii) notice that the person may register to vote on the day of the election by appearing.
179	in person during the hours that the polls are open, at the polling place for the voting precinct in
180	which the person has his principal place of residence;
181	(iii) the location of the person's local voting precinct; and
182	(iv) notice that the person will be required to meet the requirements of Section

183	20A-2-201.5 in order to register to vote on election day.
184	(b) When the county clerk receives any voter registration forms at least seven days
185	before an election that are dated at least 20 days before the election, the county clerk shall:
186	(i) process the voter registration forms; and
187	(ii) record the new voters in the official register and posting list.
188	(6) If the county clerk determines that a voter registration form received from the
189	Driver License Division is incorrect because of an error or because it is incomplete, the county
190	clerk shall mail notice to the person attempting to register[ <del>, informing him</del> ] to provide him
191	with:
192	(a) notice that he has not been registered because of an error or because the form is
193	incomplete[-]:
194	(b) notice that the person may register to vote on the day of the election by appearing,
195	in person during the hours that the polls are open, at the polling place for the voting precinct in
196	which the person has his principal place of residence;
197	(c) the location of the person's local voting precinct, if the voting precinct may be
198	determined from the information provided on the registration form; and
199	(d) notice that the person will be required to meet the requirements of Section
200	20A-2-201.5 in order to register to vote on election day.
201	Section 6. Section <b>20A-2-205</b> is amended to read:
202	20A-2-205. Registration at voter registration agencies.
203	(1) As used in this section:
204	(a) "Discretionary voter registration agency" means each office designated by the
205	county clerk under Part 3 to provide by-mail voter registration forms to the public.
206	(b) "Public assistance agency" means each office in Utah that provides:
207	(i) public assistance; or
208	(ii) state funded programs primarily engaged in providing services to people with
209	disabilities.
210	(2) Any person may obtain and complete a by-mail registration form at a public
211	assistance agency or discretionary voter registration agency.
212	(3) Each public assistance agency and discretionary voter registration agency shall
213	provide, either as part of existing forms or on a separate form, the following information in

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214 substantially the following form:

215 **"REGISTERING TO VOTE** 

216 If you are not registered to vote where you live now, would you like to apply to register 217 to vote here today? (Applying to register to vote or declining to register to vote will not affect 218 the amount of assistance that you will be provided by this agency.) Yes\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_ IF YOU 219 DO NOT CHECK EITHER BOX, YOU WILL BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE DECIDED 220 NOT TO REGISTER TO VOTE AT THIS TIME. If you would like help in filling out the 221 voter registration application form, we will help you. The decision about whether or not to 222 seek or accept help is yours. You may fill out the application form in private. If you believe 223 that someone has interfered with your right to register or to decline to register to vote, your 224 right to privacy in deciding whether or not to register, or in applying to register to vote, or your 225 right to choose your own political party or other political preference, you may file a complaint 226 with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, State Capitol Building, Salt Lake City, Utah 227 84114. (801) 538-1040."

228 (4) Unless a person applying for service or assistance from a public assistance agency 229 or discretionary voter registration agency declines, in writing, to register to vote, each public 230 assistance agency and discretionary voter registration agency shall:

231 (a) distribute a by-mail voter registration form with each application for service or 232 assistance provided by the agency or office;

233 (b) assist applicants in completing the voter registration form unless the applicant 234 refuses assistance;

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(c) accept completed forms for transmittal to the appropriate election official; and

236 (d) transmit a copy of each voter registration form to the appropriate election official 237 within five days after it is received by the division.

238 (5) A person in a public assistance agency or a discretionary voter registration agency 239 that helps a person complete the voter registration form may not:

240 (a) seek to influence an applicant's political preference or party registration;

- 241 (b) display any political preference or party allegiance;
- 242 (c) make any statement to an applicant or take any action that has the purpose or effect 243 of discouraging the applicant from registering to vote; or

244 (d) make any statement to an applicant or take any action that has the purpose or effect

245	of leading the applicant to believe that a decision to register or not to register has any bearing
246	upon the availability of services or benefits.
247	(6) Upon receipt of a correctly completed voter registration form, the county clerk
248	shall:
249	(a) enter the applicant's name on the list of registered voters for the voting precinct in
250	which the applicant resides; and
251	(b) notify the applicant of registration.
252	(7) (a) If the county clerk receives a correctly completed voter registration form that is
253	dated less than 20 days before an election or that is received in the six calendar days before an
254	election, the county clerk shall[: (i) register the applicant after the next election; and (ii)]
255	promptly mail a notice to the applicant and, if possible, promptly phone [or mail a notice to]
256	the applicant [before the election, informing the applicant that his registration will not be
257	effective until after the election.] to provide the applicant with:
258	(i) notice that the registration form was either not timely mailed or not timely received;
259	(ii) notice that the person may register to vote on the day of the election by appearing,
260	in person during the hours that the polls are open, at the polling place for the voting precinct in
261	which the person has his principal place of residence;
262	(iii) the location of the person's local voting precinct; and
263	(iv) notice that the person will be required to meet the requirements of Section
264	20A-2-201.5 in order to register to vote on election day.
265	(b) When the county clerk receives any voter registration forms at least seven days
266	before an election that are dated at least 20 days before the election, the county clerk shall:
267	(i) process the voter registration forms; and
268	(ii) record the new voters in the official register and posting list.
269	(8) If the county clerk determines that a voter registration form received from a public
270	assistance agency or discretionary voter registration agency is incorrect because of an error or
271	because it is incomplete, the county clerk shall mail notice to the person attempting to register[;
272	informing him] to provide him with:
273	(a) notice that he has not been registered because of an error or because the form is
274	incomplete[-];
275	(b) notice that the person may register to vote on the day of the election by appearing,

276	in person during the hours that the polls are open, at the polling place for the voting precinct in
277	which the person has his principal place of residence;
278	(c) the location of the person's local voting precinct, if the voting precinct may be
279	determined from the information provided on the registration form; and
280	(d) notice that the person will be required to meet the requirements of Section
281	20A-2-201.5 in order to register to vote on election day.
282	Section 7. Section <b>20A-2-304</b> is amended to read:
283	20A-2-304. County clerk's responsibilities Notice of disposition.
284	Each county clerk shall:
285	(1) register to vote each applicant for registration who meets the requirements for
286	registration and who:
287	(a) submits a completed voter registration form to the county clerk at least 20 days
288	before the date of the election;
289	(b) submits a completed voter registration form to the Driver License Division, a
290	public assistance agency, or a discretionary voter registration agency at least 20 days before the
291	date of the election; [ <del>or</del> ]
292	(c) mails a completed by-mail voter registration form to the county clerk that is
293	postmarked at least 20 days before the election; [and] or
294	(d) submits a completed voter registration form to an election judge according to the
295	requirements of Section 20A-2-201.5; and
296	(2) send a notice to the voter informing the voter that:
297	(a) the voter's application for voter registration has been accepted and that the voter is
298	registered to vote;
299	(b) the voter's application for voter registration has been rejected and the reason for the
300	rejection; or
301	(c) the application for voter registration is being returned to the voter for further action
302	because the application is incomplete and giving instructions to the voter about how to properly
303	complete the application.
304	Section 8. Section <b>20A-3-104</b> is amended to read:
305	20A-3-104. Manner of voting.
306	(1) (a) Any registered voter desiring to vote shall give his name, and, if requested, his

307 residence, to one of the election judges. 308 (b) If an election judge does not know the person requesting a ballot and has reason to 309 doubt that person's identity, the judge shall request identification or have the voter identified by 310 a known registered voter of the district. 311 (c) If the voter is voting for the first time in the jurisdiction or is otherwise required to 312 present proof of identity or proof of residence as indicated by a notation in the official register, 313 the election judge shall request proof of identity or proof of residence from the voter. 314 (d) If the election judge is satisfied that the voter has established proof of identity and 315 proof of residence, the election judge shall: 316 (i) record the type of proof of identity or proof of residence provided by the voter in the 317 appropriate space in the official register; and 318 (ii) follow the procedures of Subsection (3). 319 (e) If the election judge is not satisfied that the voter has established proof of identity 320 or proof of residence, the election judge shall: 321 (i) indicate on the official register that the voter failed to provide adequate proof of 322 identity or proof of residence; 323 (ii) issue the voter a provisional ballot; and 324 (iii) follow the procedures and requirements of Section 20A-3-105.5. 325 (f) If the person's right to vote is challenged as provided in Section 20A-3-202, the 326 judge shall follow the procedures and requirements of Section 20A-3-105.5. 327 (2) (a) When the voter is properly identified, the election judge in charge of the official 328 register shall check the official register to determine whether or not the person is registered to 329 vote. 330 (b) If the voter's name is not found on the official register and if the voter has not 331 registered on election day, the election judge shall follow the procedures and requirements of 332 Section 20A-3-105.5. 333 (3) If the election judge determines that the voter is registered: 334 (a) the election judge in charge of the official register shall: 335 (i) write the ballot number opposite the name of the voter in the official register; and 336 (ii) direct the voter to sign his name in the election column in the official register; 337 (b) another judge shall list the ballot number and voter's name in the pollbook; and

338 (c) the election judge having charge of the ballots shall: 339 (i) endorse his initials on the stub; 340 (ii) check the name of the voter on the pollbook list with the number of the stub; (iii) hand the voter a ballot; and 341 342 (iv) allow the voter to enter the voting booth. 343 (4) Whenever the election officer is required to furnish more than one kind of official 344 ballot to the voting precinct, the election judges of that voting precinct shall give the registered 345 voter the kind of ballot that the voter is qualified to vote. 346 Section 9. Section 20A-3-104.5 is amended to read: 347 20A-3-104.5. Voting -- Regular primary election. 348 (1) (a) Any registered voter desiring to vote at the regular primary election shall give 349 his name, the name of the registered political party whose ballot the voter wishes to vote, and, if requested, his residence, to one of the election judges. 350 351 (b) If an election judge does not know the person requesting a ballot and has reason to 352 doubt that person's identity, the judge shall request identification or have the voter identified by 353 a known registered voter of the district. 354 (c) If the voter is challenged as provided in Section 20A-3-202, the judge shall provide 355 a ballot to the voter if the voter takes an oath that the grounds of the challenge are false. 356 (2) (a) (i) When the voter is properly identified, the election judge in charge of the 357 official register shall [check the official register to] determine: 358 (A) whether or not the person is registered to vote by checking the official register or 359 confirming that the person has registered on election day; and 360 (B) whether or not the person's party affiliation designation [in the official register] 361 allows the voter to vote the ballot that the voter requested by checking the official register or, if 362 the voter has registered on election day, the voter's registration form. 363 (ii) If the official register or registration form does not affirmatively identify the voter 364 as being affiliated with a registered political party or if the official register or registration form 365 identifies the voter as being "unaffiliated," the voter shall be considered to be "unaffiliated." 366 (b) (i) If the voter's name is not found on the official register [and], the voter may 367 register to vote or, if it is not unduly disruptive of the election process, request that the election 368 judge [shall] attempt to contact the county clerk's office to request oral verification of the

369 voter's registration. 370 (ii) If the voter registers to vote, the judge shall record the voter's name in the official 371 register, determine the voter's party affiliation and the ballot that the voter is qualified to vote, 372 and perform the other administrative steps required by Subsection (3). 373 [(iii)] (iii) If oral verification of the voter's registration is received from the county 374 clerk's office, the judge shall record the verification on the official register, determine the 375 voter's party affiliation and the ballot that the voter is qualified to vote, and perform the other 376 administrative steps required by Subsection (3). 377 (c) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(c)(ii), if the voter's political party 378 affiliation listed in the official register or on the election day voter registration form does not 379 allow the voter to vote the ballot that the voter requested, the election judge shall inform the 380 voter of that fact and inform the voter of the ballot or ballots that the voter's party affiliation 381 does allow the voter to vote. 382 (ii) (A) If the voter is listed in the official register or on the election day voter 383 registration form as "unaffiliated," or if the official register or registration form does not 384 affirmatively identify the voter as either "unaffiliated" or affiliated with a registered political 385 party, and the voter, as an "unaffiliated" voter, is not authorized to vote the ballot that the voter 386 requests, the election judge shall ask the voter if the voter wishes to: 387 (I) vote another registered political party ballot that the voter, as "unaffiliated," is 388 authorized to vote[,]; or 389 (II) remain "unaffiliated." 390 (B) If the voter wishes to vote another registered political party ballot that the 391 unaffiliated voter is authorized to vote, the election judge shall proceed as required by 392 Subsection (3). 393 (C) If the voter wishes to remain unaffiliated and does not wish to vote another ballot 394 that unaffiliated voters are authorized to vote, the election judge shall instruct the voter that the 395 voter may not vote. 396 (iii) For the primary elections held in [2004,] 2006[,] and 2008 only: 397 (A) If the voter is listed in the official register or on the election day voter registration 398 form as "unaffiliated," or if the official register or voter registration form does not affirmatively 399 identify the voter as either "unaffiliated" or "affiliated" with a registered political party, the

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400	election judge shall ask the voter if the voter wishes to affiliate with a registered political party,
401	or remain "unaffiliated."
402	(B) If the voter wishes to affiliate with the registered political party whose ballot the
403	voter requested, the election judge shall direct the voter to complete the change of party
404	affiliation form and proceed as required by Subsection (3).
405	(C) If the voter wishes to remain unaffiliated and wishes to vote another registered
406	political party ballot that the unaffiliated voter is authorized to vote, the election judge shall
407	proceed as required by Subsection (3).
408	(D) If the voter wishes to remain unaffiliated and does not wish to vote another ballot
409	that unaffiliated voters are authorized to vote, the election judge shall instruct the voter that the
410	voter may not vote.
411	(3) If the election judge determines that the voter is registered and eligible, under
412	Subsection (2), to vote the ballot that the voter requested:
413	(a) the election judge in charge of the official register shall:
414	(i) write the ballot number and the name of the registered political party whose ballot
415	the voter voted opposite the name of the voter in the official register; and
416	(ii) direct the voter to sign his name in the election column in the official register;
417	(b) another judge shall list the ballot number and voter's name in the pollbook; and
418	(c) the election judge having charge of the ballots shall:
419	(i) endorse his initials on the stub;
420	(ii) check the name of the voter on the pollbook list with the number of the stub;
421	(iii) hand the voter the ballot for the registered political party that the voter requested
422	and for which the voter is authorized to vote; and
423	(iv) allow the voter to enter the voting booth.
424	(4) Whenever the election officer is required to furnish more than one kind of official
425	ballot to the voting precinct, the election judges of that voting precinct shall give the registered
426	voter the kind of ballot that the voter is qualified to vote.
427	Section 10. Section <b>20A-9-808</b> is amended to read:
428	20A-9-808. Voting.
429	(1) (a) Any registered voter desiring to vote at the Western States Presidential Primary
430	shall give his name, the name of the registered political party whose ballot the voter wishes to

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431 vote, and, if requested, his residence, to one of the election judges.

(b) If an election judge does not know the person requesting a ballot and has reason to
doubt that person's identity, the judge shall request identification or have the voter identified by
a known registered voter of the district.

435 (c) If the person's right to vote is challenged as provided in Section 20A-3-202, the
436 judge shall follow the procedures and requirements of Section 20A-3-105.5.

437 (2) (a) (i) When the voter is properly identified, the election judge in charge of the
438 official register shall [check the official register to] determine:

439 (A) whether or not the person is registered to vote <u>by checking the official register or</u>,
440 <u>if the voter has registered on election day, the voter's registration form</u>; and

441 (B) whether or not the person's party affiliation designation [in the official register]
442 allows the voter to vote the ballot that the voter requested by checking the official register or, if
443 the voter has registered on election day, the voter's registration form.

444 (ii) If the official register <u>or registration form</u> does not affirmatively identify the voter
445 as being affiliated with a registered political party or if the official register <u>or registration form</u>
446 identifies the voter as being "unaffiliated," the voter shall be considered to be "unaffiliated."

(b) If the voter's name is not found on the official register <u>and if the voter has not</u>
registered on election day, the election judge shall follow the procedures and requirements of
Section 20A-3-105.5.

(c) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(c)(ii), if the voter's political party affiliation listed in the official register or on the election day voter registration form does not allow the voter to vote the ballot that the voter requested, the election judge shall inform the voter of that fact and inform the voter of the ballot or ballots that the voter's party affiliation does allow the voter to vote.

(ii) (A) If the voter is listed in the official register or on the election day voter
registration form as "unaffiliated," or if the official register or registration form does not
affirmatively identify the voter as either "unaffiliated" or affiliated with a registered political
party, and the voter, as an "unaffiliated" voter, is not authorized to vote the ballot that the voter
requests, the election judge shall ask the voter if the voter wishes to:

460 (I) affiliate with the registered political party whose ballot the voter requested[,];
461 (II) vote another registered political party ballot that the voter, as "unaffiliated," is

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462	authorized to vote[;]; or
463	(III) remain "unaffiliated."
464	(B) If the voter wishes to affiliate with the registered political party whose ballot the
465	voter requested, the election judge shall enter in the official register the voter's new party
466	affiliation and proceed as required by Subsection (3).
467	(C) If the voter wishes to vote another registered political party ballot that the
468	unaffiliated voter is authorized to vote, the election judge shall proceed as required by
469	Subsection (3).
470	(D) If the voter wishes to remain unaffiliated and does not wish to vote another ballot
471	that unaffiliated voters are authorized to vote, the election judge shall instruct the voter that the
472	voter may not vote.
473	(3) If the election judge determines that the voter is registered and eligible, under
474	Subsection (2), to vote the ballot that the voter requested:
475	(a) the election judge in charge of the official register shall:
476	(i) write the ballot number and the name of the registered political party whose ballot
477	the voter voted opposite the name of the voter in the official register; and
478	(ii) direct the voter to sign his name in the election column in the official register;
479	(b) another judge shall list the ballot number and voter's name in the pollbook; and
480	(c) the election judge having charge of the ballots shall:
481	(i) endorse his initials on the stub;
482	(ii) check the name of the voter on the pollbook list with the number of the stub;
483	(iii) hand the voter the ballot for the registered political party that the voter requested
484	and for which the voter is authorized to vote; and
485	(iv) allow the voter to enter the voting booth.
486	(4) Whenever the election officer is required to furnish more than one kind of official
487	ballot to the voting precinct, the election judges of that voting precinct shall give the registered
488	voter the kind of ballot that the voter is qualified to vote.

#### Legislative Review Note as of 1-6-06 2:25 PM

Based on a limited legal review, this legislation has not been determined to have a high probability of being held unconstitutional.

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#### State Impact

No fiscal impact to state government. Counties may be impacted by the bill, particularly smaller counties which may currently lack adequate information technologies and systems to meet the requirements of the bill.

#### **Individual and Business Impact**

No significant fiscal impact.

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