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**ELECTION SECURITY AMENDMENTS**

2022 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Jon Hawkins**

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill addresses election security and voter confidence.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ clarifies that it is unlawful to vote in the same election in Utah and outside of Utah;
- ▶ requires an individual who is voting for the first time in a Utah election to provide photo identification;
- ▶ requires additional identification information to be included with the return envelope for a ballot;
- ▶ requires the disclosure of certain information in relation to an individual who assists a voter;
- ▶ prohibits an election officer from soliciting, accepting, or using funds donated for an election by a person other than a government entity;
- ▶ requires video surveillance and other security measures for ballot drop boxes;
- ▶ requires the director of elections to make rules establishing:
  - requirements for election officials regarding ballot security, including ballot custody, processing, and tabulation;
  - minimum standards for preserving the security of election equipment, including use, storage, and maintenance;
  - software validation procedures to verify that voting system files have not been



- 28 tampered with; and
- 29       • minimum requirements that a vendor must meet to be eligible to print ballots to
- 30 be used in an election;
- 31       ▶ requires the lieutenant governor to conduct an annual voter registration audit;
- 32       ▶ restricts access to election equipment and prohibits connecting certain election
- 33 equipment to the Internet;
- 34       ▶ provides for the security of election equipment and information;
- 35       ▶ requires increased record keeping for security purposes;
- 36       ▶ requires an election official to check available resources to determine whether an
- 37 individual registers to vote, or votes, in more than one state or precinct; and
- 38       ▶ addresses printing and mailing of ballots.

39 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

40       None

41 **Other Special Clauses:**

42       None

43 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

44 **AMENDS:**

- 45       **20A-1-102**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapters 31, 49, 255, and 354
- 46       **20A-1-603**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 31
- 47       **20A-2-308**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2014, Chapter 373
- 48       **20A-3a-202**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 100
- 49       **20A-3a-204**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 31
- 50       **20A-3a-401**, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 31
- 51       **20A-5-403.5**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15

52 **ENACTS:**

- 53       **20A-3a-404**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 54       **20A-5-207**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 55       **20A-5-901**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 56       **20A-5-902**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 57       **20A-5-903**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 58       **20A-5-904**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

59           20A-5-905, Utah Code Annotated 1953

60           20A-6-108, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

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

64           **20A-1-102. Definitions.**

65           As used in this title:

66           (1) "Active voter" means a registered voter who has not been classified as an inactive  
67 voter by the county clerk.

68           (2) "Automatic tabulating equipment" means apparatus that automatically examines  
69 and counts votes recorded on ballots and tabulates the results.

70           (3) (a) "Ballot" means the storage medium, including a paper, mechanical, or electronic  
71 storage medium, that records an individual voter's vote.

72           (b) "Ballot" does not include a record to tally multiple votes.

73           (4) "Ballot proposition" means a question, issue, or proposal that is submitted to voters  
74 on the ballot for their approval or rejection including:

75           (a) an opinion question specifically authorized by the Legislature;

76           (b) a constitutional amendment;

77           (c) an initiative;

78           (d) a referendum;

79           (e) a bond proposition;

80           (f) a judicial retention question;

81           (g) an incorporation of a city or town; or

82           (h) any other ballot question specifically authorized by the Legislature.

83           (5) "Bind," "binding," or "bound" means securing more than one piece of paper  
84 together using staples or another means in at least three places across the top of the paper in the  
85 blank space reserved for securing the paper.

86           (6) "Board of canvassers" means the entities established by Sections 20A-4-301 and  
87 20A-4-306 to canvass election returns.

88           (7) "Bond election" means an election held for the purpose of approving or rejecting  
89 the proposed issuance of bonds by a government entity.

90 (8) "Business reply mail envelope" means an envelope that may be mailed free of  
91 charge by the sender.

92 (9) "Canvass" means the review of election returns and the official declaration of  
93 election results by the board of canvassers.

94 (10) "Canvassing judge" means a poll worker designated to assist in counting ballots at  
95 the canvass.

96 (11) "Contracting election officer" means an election officer who enters into a contract  
97 or interlocal agreement with a provider election officer.

98 (12) "Convention" means the political party convention at which party officers and  
99 delegates are selected.

100 (13) "Counting center" means one or more locations selected by the election officer in  
101 charge of the election for the automatic counting of ballots.

102 (14) "Counting judge" means a poll worker designated to count the ballots during  
103 election day.

104 (15) "Counting room" means a suitable and convenient private place or room for use  
105 by the poll workers and counting judges to count ballots.

106 (16) "County officers" means those county officers that are required by law to be  
107 elected.

108 (17) "Date of the election" or "election day" or "day of the election":

109 (a) means the day that is specified in the calendar year as the day that the election  
110 occurs; and

111 (b) does not include:

112 (i) deadlines established for voting by mail, military-overseas voting, or emergency  
113 voting; or

114 (ii) any early voting or early voting period as provided under Chapter 3a, Part 6, Early  
115 Voting.

116 (18) "Elected official" means:

117 (a) a person elected to an office under Section [20A-1-303](#) or Chapter 4, Part 6,  
118 Municipal Alternate Voting Methods Pilot Project;

119 (b) a person who is considered to be elected to a municipal office in accordance with  
120 Subsection [20A-1-206\(1\)\(c\)\(ii\)](#); or

121 (c) a person who is considered to be elected to a local district office in accordance with  
122 Subsection [20A-1-206\(3\)\(c\)\(ii\)](#).

123 (19) "Election" means a regular general election, a municipal general election, a  
124 statewide special election, a local special election, a regular primary election, a municipal  
125 primary election, and a local district election.

126 (20) "Election Assistance Commission" means the commission established by the Help  
127 America Vote Act of 2002, Pub. L. No. 107-252.

128 (21) "Election cycle" means the period beginning on the first day persons are eligible to  
129 file declarations of candidacy and ending when the canvass is completed.

130 (22) "Election judge" means a poll worker that is assigned to:

- 131 (a) preside over other poll workers at a polling place;
- 132 (b) act as the presiding election judge; or
- 133 (c) serve as a canvassing judge, counting judge, or receiving judge.

134 (23) "Election officer" means:

- 135 (a) the lieutenant governor, for all statewide ballots and elections;
- 136 (b) the county clerk for:
  - 137 (i) a county ballot and election; and
  - 138 (ii) a ballot and election as a provider election officer as provided in Section  
139 [20A-5-400.1](#) or [20A-5-400.5](#);
- 140 (c) the municipal clerk for:
  - 141 (i) a municipal ballot and election; and
  - 142 (ii) a ballot and election as a provider election officer as provided in Section  
143 [20A-5-400.1](#) or [20A-5-400.5](#);
- 144 (d) the local district clerk or chief executive officer for:
  - 145 (i) a local district ballot and election; and
  - 146 (ii) a ballot and election as a provider election officer as provided in Section  
147 [20A-5-400.1](#) or [20A-5-400.5](#); or
- 148 (e) the business administrator or superintendent of a school district for:
  - 149 (i) a school district ballot and election; and
  - 150 (ii) a ballot and election as a provider election officer as provided in Section  
151 [20A-5-400.1](#) or [20A-5-400.5](#).

152 (24) "Election official" means any election officer, election judge, or poll worker.

153 (25) "Election results" means:

154 (a) for an election other than a bond election, the count of votes cast in the election and  
155 the election returns requested by the board of canvassers; or

156 (b) for bond elections, the count of those votes cast for and against the bond  
157 proposition plus any or all of the election returns that the board of canvassers may request.

158 (26) "Election returns" includes the pollbook, the military and overseas absentee voter  
159 registration and voting certificates, one of the tally sheets, any unprocessed ballots, all counted  
160 ballots, all excess ballots, all unused ballots, all spoiled ballots, the ballot disposition form, and  
161 the total votes cast form.

162 (27) "Electronic signature" means an electronic sound, symbol, or process attached to  
163 or logically associated with a record and executed or adopted by a person with the intent to sign  
164 the record.

165 (28) "Inactive voter" means a registered voter who is listed as inactive by a county  
166 clerk under Subsection [20A-2-306\(4\)\(c\)\(i\)](#) or (ii).

167 (29) "Judicial office" means the office filled by any judicial officer.

168 (30) "Judicial officer" means any justice or judge of a court of record or any county  
169 court judge.

170 (31) "Local district" means a local government entity under Title 17B, Limited Purpose  
171 Local Government Entities - Local Districts, and includes a special service district under Title  
172 17D, Chapter 1, Special Service District Act.

173 (32) "Local district officers" means those local district board members that are required  
174 by law to be elected.

175 (33) "Local election" means a regular county election, a regular municipal election, a  
176 municipal primary election, a local special election, a local district election, and a bond  
177 election.

178 (34) "Local political subdivision" means a county, a municipality, a local district, or a  
179 local school district.

180 (35) "Local special election" means a special election called by the governing body of a  
181 local political subdivision in which all registered voters of the local political subdivision may  
182 vote.

183 (36) "Manual ballot" means a paper document produced by an election officer on  
184 which an individual records an individual's vote by directly placing a mark on the paper  
185 document using a pen or other marking instrument.

186 (37) "Mechanical ballot" means a record, including a paper record, electronic record, or  
187 mechanical record, that:

188 (a) is created via electronic or mechanical means; and

189 (b) records an individual voter's vote cast via a method other than an individual directly  
190 placing a mark, using a pen or other marking instrument, to record an individual voter's vote.

191 (38) "Municipal executive" means:

192 (a) the mayor in the council-mayor form of government defined in Section 10-3b-102;

193 (b) the mayor in the council-manager form of government defined in Subsection  
194 10-3b-103(7); or

195 (c) the chair of a metro township form of government defined in Section 10-3b-102.

196 (39) "Municipal general election" means the election held in municipalities and, as  
197 applicable, local districts on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each  
198 odd-numbered year for the purposes established in Section 20A-1-202.

199 (40) "Municipal legislative body" means:

200 (a) the council of the city or town in any form of municipal government; or

201 (b) the council of a metro township.

202 (41) "Municipal office" means an elective office in a municipality.

203 (42) "Municipal officers" means those municipal officers that are required by law to be  
204 elected.

205 (43) "Municipal primary election" means an election held to nominate candidates for  
206 municipal office.

207 (44) "Municipality" means a city, town, or metro township.

208 (45) "Official ballot" means the ballots distributed by the election officer for voters to  
209 record their votes.

210 (46) "Official endorsement" means the information on the ballot that identifies:

211 (a) the ballot as an official ballot;

212 (b) the date of the election; and

213 (c) (i) for a ballot prepared by an election officer other than a county clerk, the

214 facsimile signature required by Subsection 20A-6-401(1)(a)(iii); or

215 (ii) for a ballot prepared by a county clerk, the words required by Subsection

216 20A-6-301(1)(b)(iii).

217 (47) "Official register" means the official record furnished to election officials by the

218 election officer that contains the information required by Section 20A-5-401.

219 (48) "Political party" means an organization of registered voters that has qualified to

220 participate in an election by meeting the requirements of Chapter 8, Political Party Formation

221 and Procedures.

222 (49) (a) "Poll worker" means a person assigned by an election official to assist with an

223 election, voting, or counting votes.

224 (b) "Poll worker" includes election judges.

225 (c) "Poll worker" does not include a watcher.

226 (50) "Pollbook" means a record of the names of voters in the order that they appear to

227 cast votes.

228 (51) "Polling place" means a building where voting is conducted.

229 (52) "Position" means a square, circle, rectangle, or other geometric shape on a ballot

230 in which the voter marks the voter's choice.

231 (53) "Presidential Primary Election" means the election established in Chapter 9, Part

232 8, Presidential Primary Election.

233 (54) "Primary convention" means the political party conventions held during the year

234 of the regular general election.

235 (55) "Protective counter" means a separate counter, which cannot be reset, that:

236 (a) is built into a voting machine; and

237 (b) records the total number of movements of the operating lever.

238 (56) "Provider election officer" means an election officer who enters into a contract or

239 interlocal agreement with a contracting election officer to conduct an election for the

240 contracting election officer's local political subdivision in accordance with Section

241 20A-5-400.1.

242 (57) "Provisional ballot" means a ballot voted provisionally by a person:

243 (a) whose name is not listed on the official register at the polling place;

244 (b) whose legal right to vote is challenged as provided in this title; or



245 (c) whose identity was not sufficiently established by a poll worker.

246 (58) "Provisional ballot envelope" means an envelope printed in the form required by  
247 Section 20A-6-105 that is used to identify provisional ballots and to provide information to  
248 verify a person's legal right to vote.

249 (59) (a) "Public figure" means an individual who, due to the individual being  
250 considered for, holding, or having held a position of prominence in a public or private capacity,  
251 or due to the individual's celebrity status, has an increased risk to the individual's safety.

252 (b) "Public figure" does not include an individual:

253 (i) elected to public office; or

254 (ii) appointed to fill a vacancy in an elected public office.

255 (60) "Qualify" or "qualified" means to take the oath of office and begin performing the  
256 duties of the position for which the individual was elected.

257 (61) "Receiving judge" means the poll worker that checks the voter's name in the  
258 official register at a polling location and provides the voter with a ballot.

259 (62) "Registration form" means a form by which an individual may register to vote  
260 under this title.

261 (63) "Regular ballot" means a ballot that is not a provisional ballot.

262 (64) "Regular general election" means the election held throughout the state on the first  
263 Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each even-numbered year for the purposes  
264 established in Section 20A-1-201.

265 (65) "Regular primary election" means the election, held on the date specified in  
266 Section 20A-1-201.5, to nominate candidates of political parties and candidates for nonpartisan  
267 local school board positions to advance to the regular general election.

268 (66) "Resident" means a person who resides within a specific voting precinct in Utah.

269 (67) "Return envelope" means the envelope, described in Subsection 20A-3a-202(4),  
270 provided to a voter with a manual ballot:

271 (a) into which the voter places the manual ballot after the voter has voted the manual  
272 ballot in order to preserve the secrecy of the voter's vote; and

273 (b) that includes the voter affidavit and a place for the voter's signature.

274 (68) "Sample ballot" means a mock ballot similar in form to the official ballot printed  
275 and distributed as provided in Section 20A-5-405.

276 (69) "Special election" means an election held as authorized by Section 20A-1-203.

277 (70) "Spoiled ballot" means each ballot that:

278 (a) is spoiled by the voter;

279 (b) is unable to be voted because it was spoiled by the printer or a poll worker; or

280 (c) lacks the official endorsement.

281 (71) "Statewide special election" means a special election called by the governor or the  
282 Legislature in which all registered voters in Utah may vote.

283 (72) "Tabulation system" means a device or system designed for the sole purpose of  
284 tabulating votes cast by voters at an election.

285 (73) "Ticket" means a list of:

286 (a) political parties;

287 (b) candidates for an office; or

288 (c) ballot propositions.

289 (74) "Transfer case" means the sealed box used to transport voted ballots to the  
290 counting center.

291 (75) "Vacancy" means the absence of a person to serve in any position created by  
292 statute, whether that absence occurs because of death, disability, disqualification, resignation,  
293 or other cause.

294 (76) "Valid voter identification" means:

295 (a) for an individual voting for the first time in a Utah election, only a Utah driver  
296 license or a Utah identification card;

297 ~~[(a)]~~ (b) except as provided in Subsection (76)(a), a form of identification that bears the  
298 name and photograph of the voter which may include:

299 (i) a currently valid Utah driver license;

300 (ii) a currently valid identification card that is issued by:

301 (A) the state; or

302 (B) a branch, department, or agency of the United States;

303 (iii) a currently valid Utah permit to carry a concealed weapon;

304 (iv) a currently valid United States passport; or

305 (v) a currently valid United States military identification card;

306 ~~[(b)]~~ (c) except as provided in Subsection (76)(a), one of the following identification

307 cards, whether or not the card includes a photograph of the voter:

308 (i) a valid tribal identification card;

309 (ii) a Bureau of Indian Affairs card; or

310 (iii) a tribal treaty card; or

311 ~~[(c)]~~ (d) except as provided in Subsection (76)(a), two forms of identification not listed  
312 under Subsection ~~[(76)(a) or (b)] (76)(b) or (c)~~ but that bear the name of the voter and provide  
313 evidence that the voter resides in the voting precinct, which may include:

314 (i) a current utility bill or a legible copy thereof, dated within the 90 days before the  
315 election;

316 (ii) a bank or other financial account statement, or a legible copy thereof;

317 (iii) a certified birth certificate;

318 (iv) a valid social security card;

319 (v) a check issued by the state or the federal government or a legible copy thereof;

320 (vi) a paycheck from the voter's employer, or a legible copy thereof;

321 (vii) a currently valid Utah hunting or fishing license;

322 (viii) certified naturalization documentation;

323 (ix) a currently valid license issued by an authorized agency of the United States;

324 (x) a certified copy of court records showing the voter's adoption or name change;

325 (xi) a valid Medicaid card, Medicare card, or Electronic Benefits Transfer Card;

326 (xii) a currently valid identification card issued by:

327 (A) a local government within the state;

328 (B) an employer for an employee; or

329 (C) a college, university, technical school, or professional school located within the  
330 state; or

331 (xiii) a current Utah vehicle registration.

332 (77) "Valid write-in candidate" means a candidate who has qualified as a write-in  
333 candidate by following the procedures and requirements of this title.

334 (78) "Vote by mail" means to vote, using a manual ballot that is mailed to the voter, by:

335 (a) mailing the ballot to the location designated in the mailing; or

336 (b) depositing the ballot in a ballot drop box designated by the election officer.

337 (79) "Voter" means an individual who:

- 338 (a) meets the requirements for voting in an election;
- 339 (b) meets the requirements of election registration;
- 340 (c) is registered to vote; and
- 341 (d) is listed in the official register book.

342 (80) "Voter registration deadline" means the registration deadline provided in Section  
343 [20A-2-102.5](#).

344 (81) "Voting area" means the area within six feet of the voting booths, voting  
345 machines, and ballot box.

346 (82) "Voting booth" means:

- 347 (a) the space or compartment within a polling place that is provided for the preparation  
348 of ballots, including the voting enclosure or curtain; or
- 349 (b) a voting device that is free standing.

350 (83) "Voting device" means any device provided by an election officer for a voter to  
351 vote a mechanical ballot.

352 (84) "Voting precinct" means the smallest geographical voting unit, established under  
353 Chapter 5, Part 3, Duties of the County and Municipal Legislative Bodies.

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

356 (86) "Write-in ballot" means a ballot containing any write-in votes.

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

359 Section 2. Section **20A-1-603** is amended to read:

360 **20A-1-603. Fraud, interference, disturbance -- Tampering with ballots or records**  
361 **-- Penalties.**

362 (1) (a) An individual may not fraudulently vote on the individual's behalf or on behalf  
363 of another, by:

- 364 (i) voting more than once at any one election, regardless of whether one of the  
365 elections is in a state or territory of the United States outside of Utah;
- 366 (ii) knowingly handing in two or more ballots folded together;
- 367 (iii) changing any ballot after the ballot is cast or deposited in the ballot box, or ballot  
368 drop box, or mailed;

369 (iv) adding or attempting to add any ballot or vote to those legally polled at any  
370 election by fraudulently introducing the ballot or vote into the ballot box or vote tally, either  
371 before or after the ballots have been counted;

372 (v) adding to or mixing or attempting to add or mix, other ballots with the ballots  
373 lawfully polled while those ballots are being counted or canvassed, or at any other time; or

374 (vi) voting in a voting district or precinct when the individual knew or should have  
375 known that the individual was not eligible for voter registration in that district or precinct,  
376 unless the individual is legally entitled to vote the ballot under Section 20A-4-107 or another  
377 provision of this title.

378 (b) A person may not fraudulently interfere with an election by:

379 (i) willfully tampering with, detaining, mutilating, or destroying any election returns;

380 (ii) in any manner, interfering with the officers holding an election or conducting a  
381 canvass, or with the voters lawfully exercising their rights of voting at an election, so as to  
382 prevent the election or canvass from being fairly held or lawfully conducted;

383 (iii) engaging in riotous conduct at any election, or interfering in any manner with any  
384 election official in the discharge of the election official's duties;

385 (iv) inducing any election officer, or officer whose duty it is to ascertain, announce, or  
386 declare the result of any election or to give or make any certificate, document, or evidence in  
387 relation to any election, to violate or refuse to comply with the election officer's duty or any law  
388 regulating the election officer's duty;

389 (v) taking, carrying away, concealing, removing, or destroying any ballot, pollbook, or  
390 other thing from a polling place, or from the possession of the person authorized by law to have  
391 the custody of that thing;

392 (vi) taking, carrying away, concealing, removing, or destroying a ballot drop box or the  
393 contents of a ballot drop box; or

394 (vii) aiding, counseling, providing, procuring, advising, or assisting any person to do  
395 any of the acts described in this section.

396 (2) In addition to the penalties established in Subsections 20A-1-609(2) and (3), a  
397 person who commits an offense under Subsection (1) is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

398 (3) The lieutenant governor and each county clerk shall take, and store for at least 22  
399 months, a static copy of the official register made at the following times:

400 (a) the voter registration deadline described in Subsection 20A-2-102.5(2)(a);

401 (b) the day of the election; and

402 (c) the last day of the canvass.

403 Section 3. Section **20A-2-308** is amended to read:

404 **20A-2-308. Lieutenant governor and county clerks to preserve records.**

405 (1) As used in this section:

406 (a) "Voter registration record" means a record concerning the implementation of  
407 programs and activities conducted for the purpose of ensuring that the official register is  
408 accurate and current.

409 (b) "Voter registration record" does not include a record that:

410 (i) relates to a person's decision to decline to register to vote; or

411 (ii) identifies the particular public assistance agency, discretionary voter registration  
412 agency, or Driver License Division through which a particular voter registered to vote.

413 (2) The lieutenant governor and each county clerk shall:

414 (a) preserve for at least two years all records relating to voter registration, including:

415 (i) the official register; and

416 (ii) the names and addresses of all persons to whom the notice required by Section  
417 **20A-2-306** was sent and a notation as to whether or not the person responded to the notice;

418 (b) make a voter registration record available for public inspection, except for a voter  
419 registration record, or part of a voter registration record that is classified as private under  
420 Section **63G-2-302**; and

421 (c) allow a record or part of a record described in Subsection (2)(b) that is not  
422 classified as a private record to be photocopied for a reasonable cost.

423 (3) The lieutenant governor and each county clerk shall take, and store for at least 22  
424 months, a static copy of the official register made at the following times:

425 (a) the voter registration deadline described in Subsection 20A-2-102.5(2)(a);

426 (b) the day of the election; and

427 (c) the last day of the canvass.

428 Section 4. Section **20A-3a-202** is amended to read:

429 **20A-3a-202. Conducting election by mail.**

430 (1) (a) Except as otherwise provided for an election conducted entirely by mail under

431 Section [20A-7-609.5](#), an election officer shall administer an election primarily by mail, in  
432 accordance with this section.

433 (b) To vote, an individual who is voting in a Utah election for the first time is required  
434 to present or provide a copy of the individual's Utah driver license or Utah identification card.

435 (2) An election officer who administers an election:

436 (a) shall in accordance with Subsection (3), no sooner than 21 days before election day  
437 and no later than seven days before election day, mail to each active voter within a voting  
438 precinct:

439 (i) a manual ballot;

440 (ii) a return envelope;

441 (iii) instructions for returning the ballot that include an express notice about any  
442 relevant deadlines that the voter must meet in order for the voter's vote to be counted;

443 (iv) for an election administered by a county clerk, information regarding the location  
444 and hours of operation of any election day voting center at which the voter may vote or a  
445 website address where the voter may view this information;

446 (v) for an election administered by an election officer other than a county clerk, if the  
447 election officer does not operate a polling location or an election day voting center, a warning,  
448 on a separate page of colored paper in bold face print, indicating that if the voter fails to follow  
449 the instructions included with the ballot, the voter will be unable to vote in that election  
450 because there will be no polling place for the voting precinct on the day of the election; and

451 (vi) after May 1, 2022, instructions on how a voter may sign up to receive electronic  
452 ballot status notifications via the ballot tracking system described in Section [20A-3a-401.5](#); and

453 (b) may not mail a ballot under this section to:

454 (i) an inactive voter, unless the inactive voter requests a manual ballot; or

455 (ii) a voter whom the election officer is prohibited from sending a ballot under  
456 Subsection (10)(c)(ii).

457 (3) (a) An election officer who mails a manual ballot under Subsection (2) shall mail  
458 the manual ballot to the address:

459 (i) provided at the time of registration; or

460 (ii) if, at or after the time of registration, the voter files an alternate address request  
461 form described in Subsection (3)(b), the alternate address indicated on the form.

462 (b) The lieutenant governor shall make available to voters an alternate address request  
463 form that permits a voter to request that the election officer mail the voter's ballot to a location  
464 other than the voter's residence.

465 (c) A voter shall provide the completed alternate address request form to the election  
466 officer no later than 11 days before the day of the election.

467 (4) The return envelope shall include:

468 (a) the name, official title, and post office address of the election officer on the front of  
469 the envelope;

470 (b) a space, in a location that cannot be observed from the outside of a sealed return  
471 envelope, where a voter:

472 (i) shall write the voter's Utah driver license number, Utah voter identification number,  
473 or the last four digits of the voter's social security number; and

474 (ii) may write an email address and phone number by which the election officer may  
475 contact the voter if the voter's ballot is rejected;

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

477 "County of \_\_\_\_ State of \_\_\_\_

478 I, \_\_\_\_, solemnly swear that: I am a qualified resident voter of the \_\_\_\_ voting precinct  
479 in \_\_\_\_ County, Utah and that I am entitled to vote in this election. I am not a convicted felon  
480 currently incarcerated for commission of a felony.

481 \_\_\_\_\_

482 Signature of Voter"; [~~and~~]

483 (d) a warning that the affidavit must be signed by the individual to whom the ballot  
484 was sent and that the ballot will not be counted if the signature on the affidavit does not match  
485 the signature on file with the election officer of the individual to whom the ballot was sent[-];  
486 and

487 (e) a statement indicating that an individual who is voting in a Utah election for this  
488 first time is required to include, in the return envelope, a copy of the individual's Utah driver  
489 license or Utah identification card.

490 (5) If the election officer determines that, for a reason other than the reason described  
491 in Subsection (1)(b), the voter is required to show valid voter identification, the election officer  
492 may:



- 493 (a) mail a ballot to the voter; and  
494 (b) instruct the voter to include a copy of the voter's valid voter identification with the  
495 return ballot.
- 496 (6) An election officer who administers an election shall:  
497 (a) (i) before the election, obtain the signatures of each voter qualified to vote in the  
498 election; or  
499 (ii) obtain the signature of each voter within the voting precinct from the county clerk;  
500 and  
501 (b) maintain the signatures on file in the election officer's office.
- 502 (7) Upon receipt of a returned ballot, the election officer shall review and process the  
503 ballot under Section [20A-3a-401](#).
- 504 (8) A county that administers an election:  
505 (a) shall provide at least one election day voting center in accordance with Chapter 3a,  
506 Part 7, Election Day Voting Center, and at least one additional election day voting center for  
507 every 5,000 active voters in the county who have requested to not receive a ballot by mail;  
508 (b) shall ensure that each election day voting center operated by the county has at least  
509 one voting device that is accessible, in accordance with the Help America Vote Act of 2002,  
510 Pub. L. No. 107-252, for individuals with disabilities;  
511 (c) may reduce the early voting period described in Section [20A-3a-601](#), if:  
512 (i) the county clerk conducts early voting on at least four days;  
513 (ii) the early voting days are within the period beginning on the date that is 14 days  
514 before the date of the election and ending on the day before the election; and  
515 (iii) the county clerk provides notice of the reduced early voting period in accordance  
516 with Section [20A-3a-604](#);  
517 (d) is not required to pay return postage for a ballot; and  
518 (e) is subject to an audit conducted under Subsection (9).
- 519 (9) (a) The lieutenant governor shall:  
520 (i) develop procedures for conducting an audit of affidavit signatures on ballots cast in  
521 an election conducted under this section; and  
522 (ii) after each primary, general, or special election conducted under this section, select  
523 a number of ballots, in varying jurisdictions, to audit in accordance with the procedures

524 developed under Subsection (9)(a)(i).

525 (b) The lieutenant governor shall post the results of an audit conducted under this  
526 Subsection (9) on the lieutenant governor's website.

527 (10) (a) An individual may request that the election officer not send the individual a  
528 ballot by mail in the next and subsequent elections by submitting a written request to the  
529 election officer.

530 (b) An individual shall submit the request described in Subsection (10)(a) to the  
531 election officer before 5 p.m. no later than 60 days before an election if the individual does not  
532 wish to receive a ballot by mail in that election.

533 (c) An election officer who receives a request from an individual under Subsection  
534 (10)(a):

535 (i) shall remove the individual's name from the list of voters who will receive a ballot  
536 by mail; and

537 (ii) may not send the individual a ballot by mail for:

538 (A) the next election, if the individual submits the request described in Subsection  
539 (10)(a) before the deadline described in Subsection (10)(b); or

540 (B) an election after the election described in Subsection (10)(c)(ii)(A).

541 (d) An individual who submits a request under Subsection (10)(a) may resume the  
542 individual's receipt of a ballot by mail by submitting a written request to the election officer.

543 Section 5. Section **20A-3a-204** is amended to read:

544 **20A-3a-204. Marking and depositing ballots.**

545 (1) To vote by mail:

546 (a) except as provided in Subsection (6), the voter shall prepare the voter's manual  
547 ballot by marking the appropriate space with a mark opposite the name of each candidate of the  
548 voter's choice for each office to be filled;

549 (b) if a ballot proposition is submitted to a vote of the people, the voter shall mark the  
550 appropriate space with a mark opposite the answer the voter intends to make;

551 (c) except as provided in Subsection (6), the voter shall record a write-in vote in  
552 accordance with Subsection **20A-3a-206**(1);

553 (d) except as provided in Subsection (6), a mark is not required opposite the name of a  
554 write-in candidate; and

- 555 (e) the voter shall:
- 556 (i) complete and sign the affidavit on the return envelope;
- 557 (ii) write the voter's Utah driver license number, Utah voter identification number, or
- 558 the last four digits of the voter's social security number;
- 559 [~~(ii)~~] (iii) place the voted ballot in the return envelope;
- 560 (iv) if required, place a copy of the voter's valid voter identification in the return
- 561 envelope;
- 562 (v) if an individual assists the voter in voting or providing the information on the return
- 563 envelope, place in the return envelope a statement, signed by the individual who assisted the
- 564 voter, that states the name of the individual, the relationship of the individual to the voter, and
- 565 whether the individual was paid for the assistance;
- 566 [~~(iii)~~] (vi) securely seal the return envelope; and
- 567 [~~(iv)~~] (vii) (A) attach postage, if necessary, and deposit the return envelope in the mail;
- 568 or
- 569 (B) place the return envelope in a ballot drop box, designated by the election officer,
- 570 for the precinct where the voter resides.
- 571 (2) (a) Except as otherwise provided in Section [20A-16-404](#), to be valid, a ballot that is
- 572 mailed must be:
- 573 (i) clearly postmarked before election day, or otherwise clearly marked by the post
- 574 office as received by the post office before election day; and
- 575 (ii) received in the office of the election officer before noon on the day of the official
- 576 canvass following the election.
- 577 (b) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(c), to be valid, a ballot shall, before the polls
- 578 close on election day, be deposited in:
- 579 (i) a ballot box at a polling place; or
- 580 (ii) a ballot drop box designated by an election officer for the jurisdiction to which the
- 581 ballot relates.
- 582 (c) An election officer may, but is not required to, forward a ballot deposited in a ballot
- 583 drop box in the wrong jurisdiction to the correct jurisdiction.
- 584 (d) An election officer shall ensure that a voter who is, at or before 8 p.m., in line at a
- 585 ballot drop box, with a sealed return envelope containing a ballot in the voter's possession, to

586 deposit the ballot in the ballot drop box.

587 (3) Except as provided in Subsection (4), to vote at a polling place the voter shall, after  
588 complying with Subsections (1)(a) through (d):

589 (a) sign the official register or pollbook; and

590 (b) (i) place the ballot in the ballot box; or

591 (ii) if the ballot is a provisional ballot, place the ballot in the provisional ballot  
592 envelope, complete the information printed on the provisional ballot envelope, and deposit the  
593 provisional ballot envelope in the provisional ballot box.

594 (4) (a) An individual with a disability may vote a mechanical ballot at a polling place.

595 (b) An individual other than an individual with a disability may vote a mechanical  
596 ballot at a polling place if permitted by the election officer.

597 (5) To vote a mechanical ballot, the voter shall:

598 (a) make the selections according to the instructions provided for the voting device;  
599 and

600 (b) subject to Subsection (6), record a write-in vote by:

601 (i) selecting the appropriate position for entering a write-in candidate; and

602 (ii) using the voting device to enter the name of the valid write-in candidate for whom  
603 the voter wishes to vote.

604 (6) To vote in an instant runoff voting race under Title 20A, Chapter 4, Part 6,  
605 Municipal Alternate Voting Methods Pilot Project, a voter:

606 (a) shall indicate, as directed on the ballot, the name of the candidate who is the voter's  
607 first preference for the office; and

608 (b) may indicate, as directed on the ballot, the names of the remaining candidates in  
609 order of the voter's preference.

610 (7) A voter who votes at a polling place:

611 (a) shall mark and cast or deposit the ballot without delay and shall leave the voting  
612 area after voting; and

613 (b) may not:

614 (i) occupy a voting booth occupied by another, except as provided in Section  
615 [20A-3a-208](#);

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

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

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

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

623 (a) election officials;

624 (b) watchers; or

625 (c) assisting voters with a disability.

626 Section 6. Section **20A-3a-401** is amended to read:

627 **20A-3a-401. Custody of voted ballots mailed or deposited in a ballot drop box --**

628 **Disposition -- Notice.**

629 (1) This section governs ballots returned by mail or via a ballot drop box.

630 (2) (a) Poll workers shall open return envelopes containing manual ballots that are in  
631 the custody of the poll workers in accordance with Subsection (2)(b).

632 (b) The poll workers shall~~[-, first,]~~:

633 (i) compare the signature of the voter on the affidavit of the return envelope to the  
634 signature of the voter in the voter registration records~~[-];~~ and

635 (ii) compare the Utah driver license number, the Utah identification card number, or  
636 the last four digits of the social security number provided by the voter to the information on the  
637 voter in the voter registration records.

638 (3) After complying with Subsection (2), the poll workers shall determine whether:

639 (a) the signatures correspond;

640 (b) the number described in Subsection (2)(b)(ii) corresponds;

641 ~~[(b)]~~ (c) the affidavit is sufficient;

642 ~~[(c)]~~ (d) the voter is registered to vote in the correct precinct;

643 ~~[(d)]~~ (e) the voter's right to vote the ballot has been challenged;

644 ~~[(e)]~~ (f) the voter has already voted in the election;

645 ~~[(f)]~~ (g) the voter is required to provide valid voter identification; and

646 ~~[(g)]~~ (h) if the voter is required to provide valid voter identification, whether the voter  
647 has provided valid voter identification.

648 (4) (a) The poll workers shall take the action described in Subsection (4)(b) if the poll  
649 workers determine that:

650 (i) the signatures correspond;

651 (ii) the number described in Subsection (2)(b)(ii) corresponds;

652 [~~(ii)~~] (iii) the affidavit is sufficient;

653 [~~(iii)~~] (iv) the voter is registered to vote in the correct precinct;

654 [~~(iv)~~] (v) the voter's right to vote the ballot has not been challenged;

655 [~~(v)~~] (vi) the voter has not already voted in the election; and

656 [~~(vi)~~] (vii) for a voter required to provide valid voter identification, that the voter has  
657 provided valid voter identification.

658 (b) If the poll workers make all of the findings described in Subsection (4)(a), the poll  
659 workers shall:

660 (i) remove the manual ballot from the return envelope in a manner that does not  
661 destroy the affidavit on the return envelope;

662 (ii) ensure that the ballot does not unfold and is not otherwise examined in connection  
663 with the return envelope; and

664 (iii) place the ballot with the other ballots to be counted.

665 (c) If the poll workers do not make all of the findings described in Subsection (4)(a),  
666 the poll workers shall:

667 (i) disallow the vote;

668 (ii) without opening the return envelope, mark across the face of the return envelope:

669 (A) "Rejected as defective"; or

670 (B) "Rejected as not a registered voter"; and

671 (iii) place the return envelope, unopened, with the other rejected return envelopes.

672 (5) (a) If the poll workers reject an individual's ballot because the poll workers  
673 determine that the signature on the return envelope does not match the individual's signature in  
674 the voter registration records, or that the identification number provided by the voter does not  
675 match the information on the voter in the voter registration record, the election officer shall  
676 contact the individual in accordance with Subsection (7) by mail, email, text message, or  
677 phone, and inform the individual:

678 (i) that the individual's signature or identification number is in question;

679 (ii) how the individual may resolve the issue;  
680 (iii) that, in order for the ballot to be counted, the individual is required to deliver to  
681 the election officer a correctly completed affidavit, provided by the county clerk, that meets the  
682 requirements described in Subsection (5)(b).

683 (b) An affidavit described in Subsection (5)(a)(iii) shall include:

684 (i) an attestation that the individual voted the ballot;

685 (ii) a space for the individual to enter the individual's:

686 (A) name[;] and date of birth[;]; and

687 (B) Utah driver license number, Utah identification card number, or the last four digits  
688 of the individual's social security number;

689 (iii) a space for the individual to sign the affidavit; and

690 (iv) a statement that, by signing the affidavit, the individual authorizes the lieutenant  
691 governor's and county clerk's use of the individual's signature on the affidavit for voter  
692 identification purposes.

693 (c) In order for an individual described in Subsection (5)(a) to have the individual's  
694 ballot counted, the individual shall deliver the affidavit described in Subsection (5)(b) to the  
695 election officer.

696 (d) An election officer who receives a signed affidavit under Subsection (5)(c) shall  
697 immediately:

698 (i) scan the signature on the affidavit electronically and keep the signature and other  
699 information on file in the statewide voter registration database developed under Section  
700 [20A-2-109](#); and

701 (ii) if the election officer receives the affidavit no later than 5 p.m. the day before the  
702 canvass, count the individual's ballot.

703 (6) If the poll workers reject an individual's ballot for any reason, other than the reason  
704 described in Subsection (5)(a), the election officer shall notify the individual of the rejection in  
705 accordance with Subsection (7) by mail, email, text message, or phone and specify the reason  
706 for the rejection.

707 (7) An election officer who is required to give notice under Subsection (5) or (6) shall  
708 give the notice no later than:

709 (a) if the election officer rejects the ballot before election day:

710 (i) one business day after the day on which the election officer rejects the ballot, if the  
711 election officer gives the notice by email or text message; or

712 (ii) two business days after the day on which the election officer rejects the ballot, if  
713 the election officer gives the notice by postal mail or phone;

714 (b) seven days after election day if the election officer rejects the ballot on election day;  
715 or

716 (c) seven days after the canvass if the election officer rejects the ballot after election  
717 day and before the end of the canvass.

718 (8) An election officer may not count the ballot of an individual whom the election  
719 officer contacts under Subsection (5) or (6) unless the election officer receives a signed  
720 affidavit from the individual under Subsection (5)(b) or is otherwise able to establish contact  
721 with the individual to confirm the individual's identity.

722 (9) The election officer shall retain and preserve the return envelopes in the manner  
723 provided by law for the retention and preservation of ballots voted at that election.

724 Section 7. Section **20A-3a-404** is enacted to read:

725 **20A-3a-404. Rules regarding ballot security -- Affidavit of compliance.**

726 (1) The director of elections within the Office of the Lieutenant Governor shall make  
727 rules, in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act,  
728 establishing requirements for election officials regarding ballot security, including the custody,  
729 documentation of custody, handling, processing, disposition, and tabulation of ballots.

730 (2) Beginning in November 2022, an election officer shall include, with all election  
731 returns provided to a board of canvassers, an affidavit, signed by the election officer, certifying:

732 (a) compliance with the rules described in Subsection (1); and

733 (b) that the county clerk maintains the voter registration database in accordance with  
734 federal and state laws and rules.

735 Section 8. Section **20A-5-207** is enacted to read:

736 **20A-5-207. Donated funding prohibited.**

737 An election officer may not solicit, accept, or use any funds for an election if those  
738 funds are donated by any person other than a government entity.

739 Section 9. Section **20A-5-403.5** is amended to read:

740 **20A-5-403.5. Ballot drop boxes.**



- 741 (1) An election officer:
- 742 (a) may designate ballot drop boxes for the election officer's jurisdiction; [~~and~~]
- 743 (b) shall clearly mark each ballot drop box as an official ballot drop box for the
- 744 election officer's jurisdiction[-];
- 745 (c) shall provide 24-hour video surveillance of each ballot drop box; and
- 746 (d) shall post a sign on or near each ballot drop box indicating that the ballot drop box
- 747 is under 24-hour video surveillance.
- 748 (2) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308 or Subsection (5), the election officer
- 749 shall, at least 19 days before the date of the election, provide notice of the location of each
- 750 ballot drop box designated under Subsection (1):
- 751 (a) (i) by publishing notice in at least one issue of a newspaper of general circulation in
- 752 the jurisdiction holding the election;
- 753 (ii) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the
- 754 jurisdiction holding the election, in places within the jurisdiction that are most likely to give
- 755 notice to the residents in the jurisdiction, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or
- 756 (iii) by mailing notice to each registered voter in the jurisdiction holding the election;
- 757 (b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section
- 758 63A-16-601, for 19 days before the day of the election; and
- 759 (c) by posting notice on the jurisdiction's website for 19 days before the day of the
- 760 election.
- 761 (3) Instead of including the location of ballot drop boxes, a notice required under
- 762 Subsection (2) may specify the following sources where a voter may view or obtain a copy of
- 763 all ballot drop box locations:
- 764 (a) the jurisdiction's website;
- 765 (b) the physical address of the jurisdiction's offices; and
- 766 (c) a mailing address and telephone number.
- 767 (4) The election officer shall include in the notice described in Subsection (2):
- 768 (a) the address of the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website and, if available,
- 769 the address of the election officer's website, with a statement indicating that the election officer
- 770 will post on the website the location of each ballot drop box, including any changes to the
- 771 location of a ballot drop box and the location of additional ballot drop boxes; and

772 (b) a phone number that a voter may call to obtain information regarding the location  
773 of a ballot drop box.

774 (5) (a) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308, the election officer may, after the  
775 deadline described in Subsection (2):

776 (i) if necessary, change the location of a ballot drop box; or

777 (ii) if the election officer determines that the number of ballot drop boxes is  
778 insufficient due to the number of registered voters who are voting, designate additional ballot  
779 drop boxes.

780 (b) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308, if an election officer changes the  
781 location of a ballot box or designates an additional ballot drop box location, the election officer  
782 shall, as soon as is reasonably possible, give notice of the changed ballot drop box location or  
783 the additional ballot drop box location:

784 (i) to the lieutenant governor, for posting on the Statewide Voter Information Website;

785 (ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and

786 (iii) by posting notice:

787 (A) for a change in the location of a ballot drop box, at the new location and, if  
788 possible, the old location; and

789 (B) for an additional ballot drop box location, at the additional ballot drop box  
790 location.

791 (6) An election officer may, at any time, authorize two or more poll workers to remove  
792 a ballot drop box from a location, or to remove ballots from a ballot drop box for processing.

793 (7) (a) At least two poll workers must be present when a poll worker collects ballots  
794 from a ballot drop box and delivers the ballots to the location where the ballots will be opened  
795 and counted.

796 (b) An election officer shall ensure that the chain of custody of a ballot placed in a  
797 ballot box is recorded and tracked from the time the ballot is removed from the ballot box until  
798 the ballot is delivered to the location where the ballot will be opened and counted.

799 Section 10. Section 20A-5-901 is enacted to read:

800 **Part 9. Election Security**

801 **20A-5-901. Voter registration audit.**

802 (1) The lieutenant governor shall, on at least an annual basis, conduct an audit of the

803 voter registration database.

804 (2) The audit shall include:

805 (a) a random selection of at least .02% of the active registered voters statewide; and

806 (b) at least one active registered voter from each county.

807 (3) For each voter selected for the audit, the auditor shall:

808 (a) verify that the voter is eligible for registration;

809 (b) verify that the voter's registration information is accurate and supported by the

810 documentation on file;

811 (c) verify that there is a signature on file for the voter;

812 (d) check for duplicate voter registrations; and

813 (e) search available resources to determine whether the voter is deceased.

814 (4) The audit report shall identify areas of concern or training needed in response to the

815 audit findings.

816 (5) The lieutenant governor shall:

817 (a) share the audit results with the county clerks and verify that the county clerks

818 address the concerns and fulfill the training identified under Subsection (4); and

819 (b) beginning in 2023, report biannually to the Government Operations Interim

820 Committee on the results of the audits conducted under this section.

821 Section 11. Section **20A-5-902** is enacted to read:

822 **20A-5-902. Security of election equipment.**

823 (1) Except when divesting election equipment as surplus property or providing for  
824 maintenance, an election officer may not permit an individual, other than an election official,  
825 access to election equipment.

826 (2) An election officer shall keep a record of service work done on voting equipment,  
827 including:

828 (a) a designation of the specific equipment serviced;

829 (b) the date of service;

830 (c) the names of all individuals who perform or supervise the service;

831 (d) the name of each vendor that performs the service; and

832 (e) a description of the service performed.

833 Section 12. Section **20A-5-903** is enacted to read:

834 20A-5-903. Cyber security.

835 (1) An election officer shall ensure that the following election equipment is never  
836 connected to the Internet:

837 (a) tabulation servers;

838 (b) tabulation equipment;

839 (c) ballot scanners, including central, precinct, and mobile scanners; and

840 (d) ballot marking devices.

841 (2) This section does not prohibit Internet connection of equipment used for voting if  
842 the equipment's use of voting is solely for the purpose of:

843 (a) complying with Title 20A, Chapter 16, Uniform Military and Overseas Voting Act;

844 or

845 (b) administering the Internet Voting Pilot Project, described in Section [20A-6-103](#).

846 Section 13. Section **20A-5-904** is enacted to read:

847 **20A-5-904. Voter fraud.**

848 An election officer shall:

849 (1) check available resources to determine whether an individual registers to vote, or  
850 votes, in more than one state or precinct; and

851 (2) report the information to law enforcement or a prosecutor if the election officer has  
852 reason to believe that an individual has intentionally committed election fraud.

853 Section 14. Section **20A-5-905** is enacted to read:

854 **20A-5-905. Software validation -- Database security.**

855 (1) Before November 2022, the director of elections within the Office of the Lieutenant  
856 Governor shall make rules, in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative  
857 Rulemaking Act, establishing software validation procedures that an election officer is required  
858 to comply with to verify that voting system files have not been tampered with.

859 (2) The lieutenant governor and each county clerk shall ensure that a record is made,  
860 and stored for at least 22 months, of each time a voter database is accessed by a person,  
861 including:

862 (a) the name of the person accessing the voter database;

863 (b) the date and time of the access;

864 (c) the purpose of the access; and

865 (d) any changes made to the voter database.

866 Section 15. Section **20A-6-108** is enacted to read:

867 **20A-6-108. Requirements for printing and mailing ballots.**

868 (1) Before November 2022, the director of elections within the Office of the Lieutenant  
869 Governor shall, in consultation with county clerks, make rules, in accordance with Title 63G,  
870 Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, establishing minimum requirements that a  
871 vendor must meet to be eligible to print ballots to be used in an election.

872 (2) Beginning on the effective date of the rules described in Subsection (1), an election  
873 officer shall ensure that, when the bulk of ballots are initially mailed to voters, the ballots are  
874 mailed from a location in Utah.