

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chairman of Committee

May 3, 2017
Date

Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

SB17-305 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 4, line 10, after "affiliation" insert "OR
2 PROVIDED A BALLOT PREFERENCE".

3 Page 4, line 19, strike "void" and substitute "~~void~~ REJECTED".

4 Page 5, strike line 27 and substitute "AFFILIATION OR PROVIDED A BALLOT
5 PREFERENCE WITH A POLITICAL PARTY A BALLOT PACKET THAT CONTAINS
6 THE".

7 Page 6, line 1, strike "MAILING" and substitute "BALLOT PACKET".

8 Page 6, line 10, strike "VOID" and substitute "REJECTED".

9 Page 8, after line 6, insert:

10 "SECTION 5. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-7.5-107, **amend**
11 (3)(a)(II); and **repeal** (2.5)(a)(II) as follows:

12 **1-7.5-107. Procedures for conducting mail ballot election -**
13 **primary elections - first-time voters casting a mail ballot after having**
14 **registered by mail to vote - in-person request for ballot -**
15 **repeal.** (2.5) (a) (II) ~~For a primary mail ballot election, in addition to the~~
16 ~~items described in the notice required by subparagraph (I) of this~~
17 ~~paragraph (a), such notice shall advise eligible electors who are not~~
18 ~~affiliated with a political party of the ability to vote in the primary~~

1 ~~election of any political party. The notice must clearly and conspicuously~~
2 ~~advise electors that any primary ballot containing votes for a candidate~~
3 ~~of more than one political party shall not be counted.~~

4 (3)(a)(II) For a primary mail ballot election, the mail ballot packet
5 must be mailed only to ~~those~~ active registered electors. ~~who are affiliated~~
6 ~~with a political party that is participating in the election.~~ If the
7 twenty-second day before an election is a Saturday, Sunday, or legal
8 holiday, the county clerk and recorder or designated election official may
9 mail ballot packets pursuant to subparagraph (I) of this paragraph (a) on
10 the Friday immediately preceding the twenty-second day."

11 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

12 Page 8, strike lines 7 through 14 and substitute:

13 "SECTION 6. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-7.5-106.5, **amend**
14 (3) as follows:

15 **1-7.5-106.5. Registration record - list of mail ballots.** (3) The
16 county clerk and recorder or designated election official shall ~~keep a list~~
17 ~~of~~ RECORD IN THE STATEWIDE VOTER REGISTRATION SYSTEM CREATED IN
18 SECTION 1-2-301 (1) THE names and precinct numbers of eligible electors,
19 together with the date on which the mail ballot was sent and the date on
20 which each mail ballot was returned or otherwise cast. FOR UNAFFILIATED
21 ELECTORS IN A PRIMARY ELECTION, THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER
22 SHALL RECORD WHICH POLITICAL PARTY'S BALLOT THE ELECTOR CAST. If
23 a mail ballot is not returned or otherwise cast, or if it is rejected and not
24 counted, that fact ~~shall be noted on the list~~ MUST BE RECORDED IN THE
25 STATEWIDE VOTER REGISTRATION SYSTEM. ~~The list is open~~ INFORMATION
26 IS SUBJECT to public inspection under applicable laws and rules."

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