

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

February 10, 2025
Date

Committee on State, Civic, Military, & Veterans Affairs.

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

HB25-1155 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 2, line 9, strike "GENERAL ELECTION, OR
- 2 CONGRESSIONAL VACANCY ELECTION;"

- 3 Page 2, line 12, after "question." insert ""WATCHER" ALSO MEANS AN
- 4 ELIGIBLE ELECTOR SELECTED BY A CANDIDATE ON THE BALLOT FOR THE
- 5 OFFICE OF UNITED STATES SENATOR, REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, ANY
- 6 STATE OFFICE OR DISTRICT OFFICE OF STATE CONCERN, OR ANY COUNTY
- 7 OFFICE WHO IS SUBJECT TO A RECOUNT."

- 8 Page 3, strike lines 2 through 27.

- 9 Page 4, strike lines 1 through 21.

- 10 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

- 11 Page 5, strike lines 5 through 8 and substitute "the recount. THE RULES
- 12 ADOPTED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL REQUIRE THE COUNTY
- 13 CLERK AND RECORDER TO ALLOW ANY CANDIDATE WHO IS SUBJECT TO A
- 14 RECOUNT TO SELECT ONE WATCHER FOR THE RECOUNT IN ADDITION TO
- 15 ANY WATCHERS OTHERWISE SELECTED FOR THE RECOUNT. Any rule
- 16 concerning the conduct".

- 17 Page 5, after line 10 insert:

- 18 "SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 1-10.5-103
- 19 as follows:
- 20 **1-10.5-103. Recount for other offices, ballot issues, and ballot**
- 21 **questions in an election coordinated by county clerk and recorder. In**

1 any election coordinated by the county clerk and recorder, if it appears,
2 as evidenced by the official abstract of votes cast, that a recount is
3 required for any office, ballot question, or ballot issue not included in
4 section 1-10.5-102, the county clerk and recorder shall order a recount of
5 the votes cast for the office, ballot question, or ballot issue to be
6 conducted in accordance with section 1-10.5-102. Any recount of the
7 votes must be completed no later than the thirty-first day after the
8 election. THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER SHALL ENSURE THAT ANY
9 CANDIDATE SUBJECT TO A RECOUNT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION MAY
10 SELECT ONE WATCHER FOR THE RECOUNT IN ADDITION TO ANY WATCHERS
11 OTHERWISE SELECTED FOR THE RECOUNT. A political subdivision that
12 referred a ballot issue or ballot question to the electors may waive the
13 automatic recount provisions of this section if the ballot issue or ballot
14 question fails by giving written notice to the county clerk and recorder
15 within twenty-three days after any election."

16 Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

17 Page 5, strike lines 21 through 22 and substitute:

18 "(2) This act applies to recounts held on or after the applicable
19 effective date of".

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