

1.1 Nelson, M., from the State Government Finance Division to which was referred:

1.2 H. F. No. 1603, A bill for an act relating to elections; making policy and technical
1.3 changes to various election and campaign finance related provisions; providing automatic
1.4 voter registration; restoring the voting rights of persons with felony convictions; providing
1.5 early voting; authorizing automatic absentee ballot delivery; authorizing ranked-choice
1.6 voting; adopting the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact; modifying campaign finance
1.7 reporting requirements for Hennepin County elections and certain political subdivisions in
1.8 Hennepin County; modifying definition of expressly advocating; requiring reporting of
1.9 electioneering communications; establishing a redistricting commission; appropriating
1.10 money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, sections 10A.01, subdivisions 4, 7, 9, 11, 16a,
1.11 17c, 18, 20, 26, 27, 28, by adding a subdivision; 10A.12, subdivisions 1, 2; 10A.121,
1.12 subdivisions 1, 2; 10A.13, subdivision 1; 10A.17, subdivision 4; 10A.20, subdivisions 3,
1.13 6a, by adding a subdivision; 10A.244; 10A.25, subdivision 3a; 10A.27, subdivision 15;
1.14 13.607, by adding a subdivision; 123B.09, subdivision 5b; 174.24, by adding a subdivision;
1.15 201.014, by adding a subdivision; 201.022, subdivision 1; 201.071, subdivision 1; 201.091,
1.16 subdivision 4; 201.161; 203B.001; 203B.01, by adding a subdivision; 203B.03, subdivision
1.17 1; 203B.04, subdivision 5; 203B.05, subdivision 1; 203B.06, subdivisions 1, 3; 203B.081,
1.18 subdivision 1; 203B.085; 203B.121, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 5, by adding a subdivision; 204B.28,
1.19 subdivision 2; 204B.35, by adding a subdivision; 204B.45, subdivisions 1, 2; 204C.03, by
1.20 adding a subdivision; 204C.10; 204C.15, subdivision 1; 204C.24, subdivision 1; 204D.19,
1.21 subdivision 2; 204D.195; 204D.22, subdivision 3; 204D.23, subdivision 2; 205.13,
1.22 subdivision 2; 206.58, subdivision 1; 206.61, by adding a subdivision; 206.80; 206.82,
1.23 subdivision 1; 206.83; 206.86, by adding a subdivision; 206.89, subdivisions 2, 3; 207A.12;
1.24 207A.13; 207A.14; 207A.15, subdivision 2; 383B.041; 473.408, by adding a subdivision;
1.25 609.165, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 2;
1.26 10A; 201; 203B; 204B; 204D; 206; 207A; 208; 243; proposing coding for new law as
1.27 Minnesota Statutes, chapter 204E; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2018, sections 10A.15,
1.28 subdivision 6; 203B.081, subdivision 3; 383B.042; 383B.043; 383B.044; 383B.045;
1.29 383B.046; 383B.047; 383B.048; 383B.049; 383B.05; 383B.051; 383B.052; 383B.053;
1.30 383B.054; 383B.055; 383B.056; 383B.057.

1.31 Reported the same back with the following amendments:

1.32 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

1.33 "Section 1. **2020 STATE PRIMARY AND STATE GENERAL ELECTION; MAIL**
1.34 **BALLOTING.**

1.35 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the Minnesota Election Law to the contrary, the
1.36 secretary of state may direct that all jurisdictions within the state conduct the 2020 state

2.1 primary election and the 2020 state general election primarily by mail, consistent with
 2.2 Minnesota Statutes, section 204B.45, subdivision 2. The direction may include requirements
 2.3 related to the closure of polling places and the availability of vote centers at which all voters
 2.4 in a jurisdiction may cast a ballot. All other provisions of the Minnesota Election Law
 2.5 continue to apply to each election, except as necessary to implement the direction authorized
 2.6 by this section.

2.7 (b) As used in this section, "the Minnesota Election Law" has the meaning given in
 2.8 Minnesota Statutes, section 200.01.

2.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment."

2.10 Delete the title and insert:

2.11 "A bill for an act
 2.12 relating to elections; authorizing the secretary of state to direct that the 2020 state
 2.13 primary and state general elections be conducted primarily by mail; authorizing
 2.14 the establishment of vote centers in which all voters in a specific election
 2.15 jurisdiction may cast a ballot."

2.16 With the recommendation that when so amended the bill be returned to the Committee
 2.17 on Ways and Means.

2.18 This Division action taken April 27, 2020

2.19, Chair