1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 931 as follows:

1.2 Page 1, delete section 1 and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. [211B.077] DISTRIBUTION OF ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS 1.4 AND SAMPLE BALLOTS.

1.5	Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) The following terms have the meanings given for the
1.6	purpose of this section.

- 1.7 (b) "Person or entity" means any individual, committee, or association as defined by
 1.8 section 10A.01, subdivision 6.
- (c) "Sample ballot" means a document that is formatted and printed in a manner that so
 closely resembles an official ballot that it could lead a reasonable person to believe the

1.11 document is an official ballot. A document that contains the names of particular candidates

1.12 or ballot questions alongside illustrations of a generic ballot or common ballot markings is

1.13 not a sample ballot as long as the document does not closely resemble an official ballot and

1.14 would not lead a reasonable person to believe the document is an official ballot.

- 1.15 Subd. 2. Requirements. (a) A person or entity that mails an absentee ballot application
 1.16 or sample ballot to anyone in the state must comply with this section.
- 1.17 (b) In addition to the absentee ballot application or sample ballot, the person or entity
- 1.18 must include a statement that says:
- 1.19 (1) the mailing is not an official election communication from a unit of government;
- 1.20 (2) the application or ballot has not been included at the request of a government official;
- 1.21 <u>and</u>
- 1.22 (3) if a sample ballot is enclosed, that the sample ballot is not an official ballot and the
 1.23 voter must not cast the ballot.

2.1	(c) The statement required by paragraph (b) must be printed in a typeface and format
2.2	designed to be clearly visible at the time the mailing is opened. The mailing envelope must
2.3	include markings to clearly distinguish it from official election mail sent by a unit of
2.4	government.
2.5	(d) If an absentee ballot application is included, the application must be blank and must
2.6	not include the voter's name, address, or any other required information.
2.7	(e) This section does not apply to a unit of government or employee of that unit of

2.8 government when discharging official election duties."