

1.1 ..... moves to amend H.F. No. 4310 as follows:

1.2 Page 11, after line 17, insert:

1.3 "Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.08, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.4 Subdivision 1. **Marking and return by voter.** (a) An eligible voter who receives absentee  
1.5 ballots as provided in this chapter shall mark them in the manner specified in the directions  
1.6 for casting the absentee ballots. The return envelope containing marked ballots may be  
1.7 mailed as provided in the directions for casting the absentee ballots or may be left with the  
1.8 county auditor or municipal clerk who transmitted the absentee ballots to the voter. If  
1.9 delivered in person, the return envelope must be submitted to the county auditor or municipal  
1.10 clerk by 3:00 p.m. on election day.

1.11 (b) The voter may designate an agent to deliver in person the sealed absentee ballot  
1.12 return envelope to the county auditor or municipal clerk ~~or to deposit the return envelope~~  
1.13 ~~in the mail~~. An agent may deliver ~~or mail~~ the return envelopes of not more than three voters  
1.14 in any election. Before accepting an absentee ballot return envelope from a voter's agent,  
1.15 the county auditor or municipal clerk must document the agent's name, address, and telephone  
1.16 number and must require the agent to sign a statement certifying compliance with this  
1.17 paragraph. Any person designated as an agent who tampers with either the return envelope  
1.18 or the voted ballots ~~or~~, does not immediately ~~mail or~~ deliver the return envelope to the  
1.19 county auditor or municipal clerk, or otherwise violates the requirements of this paragraph  
1.20 is guilty of a ~~misdemeanor~~ felony."

1.21 Page 19, line 23, after the period, insert "Before permitting an individual to assist a  
1.22 voter, an election judge must document the individual's name, address, and telephone number  
1.23 and must require the individual to sign a statement certifying compliance with this  
1.24 subdivision. An individual who assists a voter in a manner not authorized by this section is  
1.25 guilty of a felony."

2.1 Page 23, after line 11, insert:

2.2 "Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 211B.07, is amended to read:

2.3 **211B.07 UNDUE INFLUENCE ON VOTERS PROHIBITED.**

2.4 A person may not directly or indirectly use or threaten force, coercion, violence, restraint,  
2.5 damage, harm, loss, including loss of employment or economic reprisal, undue influence,  
2.6 or temporal or spiritual injury against an individual to compel the individual to register to  
2.7 vote, to apply for an absentee ballot, or to vote for or against a candidate or ballot question.  
2.8 Abduction, duress, or fraud may not be used to obstruct or prevent the free exercise of the  
2.9 right to vote of a voter at a primary or election, ~~or~~ compel an individual to register to vote,  
2.10 or compel a voter to apply for an absentee ballot or vote at a primary or election. Violation  
2.11 of this section is a ~~gross misdemeanor~~ felony."

2.12 Page 23, after line 24, insert:

2.13 "Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 211B.13, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

2.14 Subdivision 1. **Bribery, advancing money, and treating prohibited.** A person who  
2.15 willfully, directly or indirectly, advances, pays, gives, promises, or lends any money, food,  
2.16 liquor, clothing, entertainment, or other thing of monetary value, including but not limited  
2.17 to coupons, vouchers, or gift cards for the purchase of gasoline, meals, or other products,  
2.18 or who offers, promises, or endeavors to obtain any money, position, appointment,  
2.19 employment, or other valuable consideration, to or for a person, in order to induce ~~a voter~~  
2.20 an individual to do any of the following: (1) to register to vote, (2) to vote or to refrain from  
2.21 voting, ~~or~~ (3) to vote in a particular way, or (4) to apply for an absentee ballot at an election,  
2.22 is guilty of a felony. This section does not prevent a candidate from stating publicly  
2.23 preference for or support of another candidate to be voted for at the same primary or election.  
2.24 Refreshments of food or nonalcoholic beverages having a value up to \$5 consumed on the  
2.25 premises at a private gathering or public meeting are not prohibited under this section."

2.26 Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

2.27 Amend the title accordingly