

Subject Provisional ballots

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## Overview

This bill permits an individual who is unable to provide a Minnesota driver's license number, Minnesota state identification number, or a Social Security number when registering to vote on election day to cast a provisional ballot. It provides the process for casting provisional ballots and makes conforming changes to various election canvassing of results timelines to accommodate extra time allocated for processing provisional ballots.

## Summary

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| 1 | <p><b>Election day registration.</b></p> <p>Permits an individual unable to provide a Minnesota driver's license number, Minnesota state identification card number, or a Social Security number to register to vote on election day or at an early voting location and cast a provisional ballot.</p>  |
| 2 | <p><b>Provisional ballots; proof of identity and residence.</b></p> <p><b>Subd. 1. Casting provisional ballots.</b> Provides the process for casting a provisional ballot. Requires the voter to sign a provisional ballot roster or provisional ballot signature certificate, complete the voter registration application on the provisional ballot envelope, and affirm in writing the voter is eligible to vote in the precinct. Requires an election judge to inform the voter about how to have their provisional ballot counted. Authorizes the secretary of state to prescribe the provisional ballot materials.</p> <p><b>Subd. 2. Accepting or rejecting provisional ballot signature envelopes.</b> Establishes the process for the county auditor or municipal clerk to accept or reject a provisional ballot. The process permits a voter to appear before the county auditor or municipal clerk to provide their Minnesota driver's license number, Minnesota state identification card number, or a Social Security number to have their provisional ballot counted. Alternatively, the county auditor or</p> |

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	<p>municipal clerk may count the provisional ballot if the voter’s eligibility can be verified through other available data.</p> <p><b>Subd. 3. Provisional ballots; reconciliation.</b> Requires the county auditor or municipal clerk to verify that the number of signatures on the provisional ballot roster for the precinct is equal to or greater than the number of provisional ballots cast and resolve any discrepancy before counting the provisional ballots.</p> <p><b>Subd. 4. Counting provisional ballots.</b> Establishes the process for counting provisional ballots following the reconciliation process under subdivision 3.</p>
3	<p><b>Canvass of state primaries.</b> Makes conforming changes to the timeline for state primary canvassing.</p>
4	<p><b>County canvass.</b> Makes conforming changes to the timeline for a county canvassing board to canvass election returns after the state general election.</p>
5	<p><b>State canvass.</b> Makes conforming changes to the timeline for the State Canvassing Board to canvass county board reports after the state general election.</p>
6	<p><b>County canvass; return of reports to secretary of state.</b> Makes conforming changes to the timeline for the county auditor to deliver a copy of the canvassing board report to the secretary of state following a primary and a general election.</p>
7	<p><b>Results.</b> Makes conforming changes to the timeline for canvassing a municipal primary.</p>
8	<p><b>Canvass of returns, certificate of election, ballots, disposition.</b> Makes conforming changes to the timeline for a city conducting any election or a town conducting the general election in November to canvass returns and declare the results of the election.</p>
9	<p><b>Results.</b> Makes conforming changes to the timeline for canvassing a school district primary.</p>
10	<p><b>Canvass of returns, certificate of election, ballots, disposition.</b> Makes conforming changes to the timeline for canvassing returns and declaring the results of a school district election.</p>



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