

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS  
SENATE AMENDMENTS TO S.B. 1458  
(Reference to printed bill)

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert:

2 "Section 1. Section 16-550, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 16-550. Receipt of voter's ballot; cure period

5 A. On receipt of the envelope containing the early ballot and the  
6 ballot affidavit, the county recorder or other officer in charge of  
7 elections shall compare the ~~signatures thereon~~ SIGNATURE ON THE ENVELOPE  
8 with the signature of the elector on the elector's registration record. If  
9 the signature is inconsistent with the elector's signature on the elector's  
10 registration record, the county recorder or other officer in charge of  
11 elections shall make reasonable efforts to contact the voter, advise the  
12 voter of the inconsistent signature and allow the voter to correct or the  
13 county to confirm the inconsistent signature. The county recorder or other  
14 officer in charge of elections shall allow signatures to be corrected not  
15 later than the fifth business day after a primary, general or special  
16 election that includes a federal office or the third business day after any  
17 other election. If the signature is missing, the county recorder or other  
18 officer in charge of elections shall make reasonable efforts to contact the  
19 elector, advise the elector of the missing signature and allow the elector  
20 to add the elector's signature not later than 7:00 p.m. on election  
21 day. If satisfied that the signatures correspond, the recorder or other  
22 officer in charge of elections shall hold the envelope containing the early  
23 ballot and the completed affidavit unopened in accordance with the rules of  
24 the secretary of state.

1           B. The recorder or other officer in charge of elections shall  
2 thereafter safely keep the affidavits and early ballots in the recorder's  
3 or other officer's office and may deliver them for tallying pursuant to  
4 section 16-551. Tallying of ballots may ~~begin immediately after the~~  
5 ~~envelope and completed affidavit are processed pursuant to this section and~~  
6 ~~delivered to the early election board~~ NOT BEGIN UNTIL ELECTION DAY.

7           C. The county recorder shall send a list of all voters who were  
8 issued early ballots to the election board of the precinct in which the  
9 voter is registered.

10           D. This section does not apply to:

11           1. A special taxing district that is authorized pursuant to section  
12 16-191 to conduct its own elections.

13           2. A special district mail ballot election that is conducted  
14 pursuant to article 8.1 of this chapter."

15 Amend title to conform

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