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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 16-579, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO POLLING
PLACE PROCEDURES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Subject to the requirements of article IV, part 1,
3 section 1, Constitution of Arizona, section 16-579, Arizona Revised
4 Statutes, is amended to read:

5 16-579. Procedure for obtaining ballot by elector

6 A. Every qualified elector, before receiving a ballot, shall
7 announce the elector's name and place of residence in a clear, audible
8 tone of voice to the election official in charge of the signature roster
9 or present the elector's name and residence in writing. The election
10 official in charge of the signature roster shall comply with the following
11 and the qualified elector shall be allowed within the voting area:

12 1. The elector shall present any of the following:

13 (a) A valid form of identification that bears the photograph, name
14 and address of the elector that reasonably appear to be the same as the
15 name and address in the precinct register, including an Arizona driver
16 license, an Arizona nonoperating identification license, a tribal
17 enrollment card or other form of tribal identification or a United States
18 federal, state or local government issued identification. Identification
19 is deemed valid unless it can be determined on its face that it has
20 expired.

21 (b) Two different items that contain the name and address of the
22 elector that reasonably appear to be the same as the name and address in
23 the precinct register, including a utility bill, a bank or credit union
24 statement that is dated within ninety days of the date of the election, a
25 valid Arizona vehicle registration, an Arizona vehicle insurance card, an
26 Indian census card, tribal enrollment card or other form of tribal
27 identification, a property tax statement, a recorder's certificate, a
28 voter registration card, a valid United States federal, state or local
29 government issued identification or any mailing that is labeled as
30 "official election material". Identification is deemed valid unless it
31 can be determined on its face that it has expired.

32 (c) A valid form of identification that bears the photograph, name
33 and address of the elector except that if the address on the
34 identification does not reasonably appear to be the same as the address in
35 the precinct register or the identification is a valid United States
36 military identification card, **A VALID IDENTIFICATION CARD ISSUED BY AN**
37 **ACCREDITED POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION** or a valid United States
38 passport and does not bear an address, the identification must be
39 accompanied by one of the items listed in subdivision (b) of this
40 paragraph.

41 2. If the elector does not present identification that complies
42 with paragraph 1 of this subsection, the elector is only eligible to vote
43 a provisional ballot as prescribed by section 16-584 or a conditional
44 provisional ballot as provided for in the secretary of state's instruction
45 and procedures manual adopted pursuant to section 16-452.

1 3. If the voter surrenders the early ballot to the precinct
2 inspector and the voter is not otherwise required to be issued a
3 provisional ballot, the voter shall be issued a standard ballot after
4 presenting identification pursuant to this subsection. The precinct
5 inspector shall retain the surrendered early ballot, unopened in its
6 affidavit envelope.

7 B. Any qualified elector who is listed as having applied for an
8 early ballot but who states that the elector has not voted and will not
9 vote an early ballot for this election or surrenders the early ballot to
10 the precinct inspector on election day shall be allowed to vote pursuant
11 to the procedure set forth in section 16-584, except that for elections
12 conducted using an electronic pollbook or similar system with continuous
13 voter usage updates, the following apply:

14 1. If the electronic pollbook or other system indicates that the
15 voter's early ballot has not been returned or accepted by the county
16 recorder and the voter is not otherwise required to be issued a
17 provisional ballot, the voter may be issued a standard ballot after
18 presenting identification pursuant to subsection A of this section.

19 2. If the electronic pollbook or other system indicates that the
20 voter's early ballot has been received or accepted by the county recorder,
21 the voter may not be issued a standard ballot and may only be issued a
22 provisional ballot as prescribed in section 16-584.

23 C. Each qualified elector's name shall be numbered consecutively by
24 the clerks and in the order of applications for ballots. The judge shall
25 give the qualified elector only one ballot and a ballot privacy folder,
26 and the elector's name shall be immediately checked on the precinct
27 register. Notwithstanding any provision of this subsection, an elector
28 shall not be required to accept or use a ballot privacy folder.

29 D. For precincts in which a paper signature roster is used, each
30 qualified elector shall sign the elector's name in the signature roster
31 before receiving a ballot, but an inspector or judge may sign the roster
32 for an elector who is unable to sign because of physical disability, and
33 in that event the name of the elector shall be written with red ink, and
34 no attestation or other proof shall be necessary. The provisions of this
35 subsection relating to signing the signature roster shall not apply to
36 electors casting a ballot using early voting procedures.

37 E. For precincts in which an electronic poll book system is used,
38 each qualified elector shall sign the elector's name as prescribed in the
39 instructions and procedures manual adopted by the secretary of state
40 pursuant to section 16-452 before receiving a ballot, but an inspector or
41 judge may sign the roster for an elector who is unable to sign because of
42 physical disability, and in that event the name of the elector shall be
43 written with the inspector's or judge's attestation on the same signature
44 line.

1 F. A person offering to vote at a special district election for
2 which no special district register has been supplied shall sign an
3 affidavit stating the person's address and that the person resides within
4 the district boundaries or proposed district boundaries and swearing that
5 the person is a qualified elector and has not already voted at the
6 election being held.

7 Sec. 2. Requirements for enactment; three-fourths vote

8 Pursuant to article IV, part 1, section 1, Constitution of Arizona,
9 section 16-579, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, is
10 effective only on the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the
11 members of each house of the legislature.