

An Act relating to elections; amending 11 O.S. 2001, Section 16-307, which relates to voting in town meetings; clarifying language; deleting certain reference to pollbooks; amending 26 O.S. 2001, Sections 4-112, 6-103, 6-120, 7-114, 8-111, 12-111, 13A-101, 13A-108, 14-113.2, 14-114, 14-115, 14-115.4, 14-121, and 14-121.1, which relate to registration applications, procedure for determining eligibility, ballots printed by state election board, contracts for ballots, recounts, vacancies in the office of a county commissioner, applicability of general election laws, school district maps, marking ballots, in-person absentee ballots, citing statutory reference, discharged military personnel, and replacement absentee ballots; clarifying language; requiring additional voter information and allowing additional information; prohibiting denial of right to register because of failure to provide telephone number; requiring specified information for voter registration for voter who seeks to change or alter registration; stating content of residence address and required information if street address is not available; stating content of mailing address; disallowing use of post office box as residence address; providing for adoption of procedures to keep certain information confidential; authorizing information to be provided to certain persons; authorizing the Secretary of the State Election Board to prescribe the order of office for the printing of ballots; specifying to which bidder the contract for printing ballots shall be awarded; adding qualification for bidding on the printing of ballots; requiring successful bidder to provide certificate of insurance in specified amount and proof of insurance coverage for duration of contract; requiring verification of specific information and voting changes; prohibiting denial of right to vote for lack of address verification; requiring revisions to be entered into the Oklahoma Election Management System as soon as possible; requiring the Secretary of the State Election Board to determine numerical sufficiency of valid signatures within specified time period; clarifying language relating to population figure; deleting obsolete language; requiring school districts and technology center school districts to be open for all elections; providing exception; authorizing the Secretary of the State Election Board to prescribe certain procedures for not opening certain schools for voting purposes; requiring certain procedures ensure specified notification to certain registered voters; requiring the State Department of Education to provide the State Election Board with certain information; requiring the State Election Board to provide certain maps and software to county election boards; limiting persons who may witness signature of affidavits of persons who are unable to vote in person; citing statutory reference; making language gender neutral; providing for certification of signature of certain persons; authorizing certain family members of returning members of military service the right to vote in certain circumstances; modifying procedure for voter to receive replacement absentee ballots; setting penalty for witnessing signatures on certain affidavits; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.