An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL NO. 2576

By: Hoskin of the House

and

Sparks of the Senate

An Act relating to elections; amending Section 1, Chapter 26, O.S.L. 2012 (26 O.S. Supp. 2013, Section 14-108.1), which relates to notary public procedures; providing that procedures apply to certain elections; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Election procedures

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 26, O.S.L. 2012 (26 O.S. Supp. 2013, Section 14-108.1), is amended to read as follows:

Section 14-108.1 A. Neither a notary public nor an agent working on behalf of a notary public shall be authorized to:

- 1. Request absentee ballots on behalf of a voter other than himself or herself;
- 2. Assist a voter in requesting absentee ballots, other than for himself or herself or a member of his or her household;
- 3. Receive by mail an absentee ballot on behalf of a voter, other than for himself or herself or a member of his or her household; or
- 4. Submit a completed absentee ballot on behalf of a voter other than for himself or herself.

- B. A notary public shall maintain a log of all absentee ballot affidavits that he or she notarizes for a period of at least two (2) years after the date of the election.
- C. A notary public shall be authorized to notarize a maximum of twenty (20) absentee ballot affidavits for a single election. Provided, a notary public may be authorized to notarize more than twenty (20) absentee ballot affidavits with the written approval of the secretary of the county election board.
- D. If more than ten (10) absentee ballots for a single election are requested to be mailed to a single mailing address, the secretary of the county election board shall immediately notify the district attorney for that county and the Secretary of the State Election Board. Provided, this requirement shall not apply to requests for ballots to be sent to nursing homes, veterans centers, medical facilities, multiunit housing, addresses of uniformed or overseas voters as defined by the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, or other locations authorized in writing by the Secretary of the State Election Board.
- E. The provisions of this section shall only apply to an election conducted by a county election board or the State Election Board.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2014.

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