1 ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1302 By: Walker and Wesselhoft of 2 the House 3 and 4 Boggs of the Senate 5 6 7 An Act relating to elections; amending 26 O.S. 2011, Section 14-108, which relates to absentee voting; authorizing hand delivery of ballot to county 8 election board; requiring proof of identity; 9 and providing an effective date. 10 11 12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 14-108, is 14 amended to read as follows: 15 Section 14-108. A. The voter shall be required to mark the 16 ballot in ink or other manner as prescribed by the Secretary of the 17 State Election Board; seal the ballots in the plain opaque envelope; 18 fill out completely and sign the affidavit, such signature to be 19 notarized at no charge by a notary public; seal the plain opaque 20 envelope inside the envelope bearing the affidavit and return both 21 envelopes, sealed inside the return envelope, by hand delivery, 22 United States mail or by a private mail service, provided such

service has delivery documentation, to the county election board.

No person who is a candidate for an office on the ballot or who is

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1	the chair or treasurer of the campaign of a candidate for office or
2	who is related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity
3	to a candidate on the ballot may witness any absentee ballot
4	affidavit.
5	B. The ballot shall not be notarized by any person whose name
6	appears on the ballot as a candidate or by any campaign chairperson
7	or campaign treasurer for a candidate whose name appears on the
8	ballot.
9	C. Any voter who hand delivers his or her ballot in the same
10	manner prescribed by subsection A of this section shall provide
11	proof of identity to the county election board. The ballot shall be
12	delivered no later than 7:00 p.m. on the date of the election. For
13	purposes of this section, "proof of identity" shall have the same
14	meaning as used in subsection A of Section 7-114 of this title.
15	SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2016.
16	Passed the House of Representatives the 7th day of March, 2016.
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19	Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives
20	Passed the Senate the day of, 2016.
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