

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1805

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to elections; requiring State Election Board to update certain system; establishing requirements for ballots; requiring ballots to be digitized and made available to the public; requiring promulgation of rules; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6-121 of Title 26, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

By the effective date of this act, the State Election Board shall update the system used for ballots for elections in Oklahoma to meet the following requirements:

1. All ballots shall have a unique identifier number or code printed in at least two locations on the ballot;

2. All ballots shall have a perforated section that includes the unique identifier number or code where the voter can tear off that portion of the ballot to keep as a method to identify his or her ballot;

1 3. Ballots shall be digitized and made available to the general
2 public within thirty (30) days of each election to include the
3 following requirements:

- 4 a. all ballots shall be digitized and uploaded to a
5 publicly accessible website where the public can
6 scroll through and view all ballots,
7 b. all digitized ballots shall be searchable by the
8 ballot unique identifier number or code,
9 c. all digitized ballots shall be maintained and
10 searchable on the publicly accessible website for at
11 least two (2) years after the election,
12 d. all digitized ballot search options may be limited to
13 the county or precinct level in order to maintain
14 smaller file sizes on the publicly accessible website;

15 4. The Secretary of the State Election Board shall promulgate
16 rules for the implementation of this section.

17 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective January 1, 2023.

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