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S.F. No. 2956 – Requiring absentee ballots to include a watermark

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Section 1 [§203B.121; Opening of envelopes] requires members of a ballot board to verify that an absentee ballot includes the required watermark before depositing the ballot into the ballot box. If a ballot does not include the required watermark, the ballot must not be counted.

Section 2 [§204B.36; Type] requires absentee ballots to be printed on paper that contains a unique watermark in a size that allows verification of the ballot's authenticity. This does not apply to UOCAVA absentee ballots.