

1.1 Senator moves to amend the delete-everything amendment (SCS2384A-8)
1.2 to S.F. No. 2384 as follows:

1.3 Page 4, line 6, delete "providing" and insert "preparing or delivering"

1.4 Page 15, line 1, strike everything after "of"

1.5 Page 15, line 2, before the semicolon, insert "undertaking the duties of office or accepting
1.6 employment as a public official or as a local official in a political subdivision or metropolitan
1.7 governmental unit"

1.8 Page 15, line 7, delete the new language

1.9 Page 15, line 8, delete everything before "or"

1.10 Page 16, line 26, after "value" insert "as provided in paragraph (h)"

1.11 Page 16, line 28, delete "and"

1.12 Page 17, line 2, after "value" insert "as provided in paragraph (h)"

1.13 Page 17, delete section 18 and insert:

1.14 "Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10A.09, subdivision 5a, is amended to read:

1.15 Subd. 5a. **Original statement; reporting period.** ~~(a) An original statement of economic~~
1.16 ~~interest required under subdivision 1, clause (1), must cover the calendar month before the~~
1.17 ~~month in which the individual accepted employment as a public official or a local official~~
1.18 ~~in a metropolitan governmental unit. (4), must cover the calendar month before the month~~
1.19 ~~in which the candidate filed the affidavit of candidacy. An original statement of economic~~
1.20 ~~interest required under subdivision 1, clause (5), must cover the month before the month in~~
1.21 ~~which the candidates' names are provided to eligible voters in accordance with section~~
1.22 ~~124E.07, paragraph (d). In all other cases an original statement of economic interest must~~
1.23 ~~cover the calendar month before the month in which the individual assumed the duties of~~
1.24 ~~office or accepted the position that required the filing of the statement.~~

1.25 ~~(b) An original statement of economic interest required under subdivision 1, clauses (2),~~
1.26 ~~(4), and (5), must cover the calendar month before the month in which the individual assumed~~
1.27 ~~or undertook the duties of office.~~

1.28 ~~(c) An original statement of economic interest required under subdivision 1, clause (3),~~
1.29 ~~must cover the calendar month before the month in which the candidate filed the affidavit~~
1.30 ~~of candidacy."~~

1.31 Page 17, line 25, strike "(9)" and insert "(12)"

2.1 Page 17, after line 26, insert:

2.2 "(h) For the purposes of paragraph (a), clauses (9) and (11), the statement must allow
2.3 the filer to select one of the following ranges for each reported purchase, sale, exercise, or
2.4 transaction:

2.5 (1) \$1 to \$10,000;

2.6 (2) \$10,001 to \$50,000;

2.7 (3) \$50,001 to \$100,000;

2.8 (4) \$100,001 to \$250,000;

2.9 (5) \$250,001 to \$500,000;

2.10 (6) \$500,001 to \$1,000,000;

2.11 (7) \$1,000,001 to \$5,000,000;

2.12 (8) \$5,000,001 to \$25,000,000;

2.13 (9) \$25,000,001 to \$50,000,000; and

2.14 (10) over \$50,000,000."

2.15 Page 18, line 21, delete "a person" and insert "an individual"

2.16 Page 18, line 22, delete "a"

2.17 Page 18, line 23, delete "person" and insert "an individual"

2.18 Page 19, line 20, after "communication" insert "that" and delete "advocating" and insert
2.19 "advocates"

2.20 Page 33, line 5, after the stricken "felony" insert a semicolon

2.21 Page 33, line 6, after the semicolon insert "or"

2.22 Page 35, line 13, delete "spends" and insert "spent"

2.23 Page 36, after line 7, insert:

2.24 "Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.054, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

2.25 Subdivision 1. **Registration.** (a) An individual may register to vote or update a voter
2.26 registration:

2.27 (1) at any time before the 20th day preceding any election as provided in section 201.061,
2.28 subdivision 1;

3.1 (2) on the day of an election as provided in section 201.061, subdivision 3; or

3.2 (3) when submitting an absentee ballot, by enclosing a completed registration application
3.3 as provided in section 203B.04, subdivision 4.

3.4 (b) An individual who is under the age of 18, but who is at least 16 years of age and
3.5 otherwise eligible, may submit a voter registration application as provided in section 201.061,
3.6 subdivisions 1 and 1b.

3.7 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.054, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

3.8 Subd. 2. **Prohibitions; penalty.** ~~No~~ An individual ~~shall~~ must not intentionally:

3.9 (1) cause or attempt to cause the individual's name to be registered in any precinct if the
3.10 individual is not eligible to vote, except as permitted by section 201.061, subdivision 1b;

3.11 (2) cause or attempt to cause the individual's name to be registered for the purpose of
3.12 voting in more than one precinct;

3.13 (3) misrepresent the individual's identity when attempting to register to vote or to update
3.14 a registration; or

3.15 (4) aid, abet, counsel, or procure any other individual to violate this subdivision.

3.16 A violation of this subdivision is a felony.

3.17 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.056, is amended to read:

3.18 **201.056 SIGNATURE OF REGISTERED VOTER; MARKS ALLOWED.**

3.19 An individual who is unable to write the individual's name ~~shall be required to~~ must
3.20 sign a registration application in the manner provided by section 645.44, subdivision 14. If
3.21 the individual registers in person and signs by making a mark, the clerk or election judge
3.22 accepting the registration ~~shall~~ or update must certify the mark by signing the individual's
3.23 name. If the individual registers or updates a registration by mail and signs by making a
3.24 mark, the mark ~~shall~~ must be certified by having a voter registered in the individual's precinct
3.25 sign the individual's name and the voter's own name and give the voter's own address.

3.26 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.061, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

3.27 Subdivision 1. **Prior to election day.** (a) At any time except during the 20 days
3.28 immediately preceding any regularly scheduled election, an eligible voter or any individual
3.29 who will be an eligible voter at the time of the next election may register or update a
3.30 registration to vote in the precinct in which the voter maintains residence by completing a

4.1 voter registration application as described in section 201.071, subdivision 1. A completed
4.2 application may be submitted:

4.3 (1) in person or by mail to the county auditor of that county or to the Secretary of State's
4.4 Office; or

4.5 (2) electronically through a secure website that ~~shall~~ must be maintained by the secretary
4.6 of state for this purpose, if the applicant has an email address and provides the applicant's
4.7 verifiable Minnesota driver's license number, Minnesota state identification card number,
4.8 or the last four digits of the applicant's Social Security number.

4.9 (b) A registration or update to a registration that is received in person or by mail no later
4.10 than 5:00 p.m. on the 21st day preceding any election, or a registration or update to a
4.11 registration received electronically through the secretary of state's secure website no later
4.12 than 11:59 p.m. on the 21st day preceding any election, ~~shall~~ must be accepted. An
4.13 improperly addressed or delivered registration application ~~shall~~ must be forwarded within
4.14 two working days after receipt to the county auditor of the county where the voter maintains
4.15 residence. A state or local agency or an individual that accepts completed voter registration
4.16 applications from a voter must submit the completed applications to the secretary of state
4.17 or the appropriate county auditor within ten calendar days after the applications are dated
4.18 by the voter.

4.19 (c) An application submitted electronically under paragraph (a), clause (2), may only
4.20 be transmitted to the county auditor for processing if the secretary of state has verified the
4.21 application information matches the information in a government database associated with
4.22 the applicant's driver's license number, state identification card number, or Social Security
4.23 number. The secretary of state must review all unverifiable voter registration applications
4.24 submitted electronically for evidence of suspicious activity and must forward any such
4.25 application to an appropriate law enforcement agency for investigation.

4.26 (d) An individual may not electronically submit a voter registration application on behalf
4.27 of any other individual, except that the secretary of state may provide features on the secure
4.28 website established under paragraph (a), clause (2), that allow third parties to connect
4.29 application programming interfaces that facilitate an individual's submission of voter
4.30 registration information while interacting with the third party.

4.31 (e) For purposes of this section, mail registration is defined as a voter registration
4.32 application delivered to the secretary of state, county auditor, or municipal clerk by the
4.33 United States Postal Service or a commercial carrier."

4.34 Page 36, line 9, after "register" insert "or update a registration"

5.1 Page 36, line 13, after "registering" insert "or updating a registration"

5.2 Page 37, line 26, after "registering" insert "or updating a registration"

5.3 Page 39, after line 2, insert:

5.4 "Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.061, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

5.5 Subd. 4. **Registration by election judges; procedures.** Registration and updates to
5.6 registrations at the polling place on election day ~~shall~~ must be conducted by the election
5.7 judges. Before registering an individual to vote or updating an individual's registration at
5.8 the polling place, the election judge must review any list of voters who registered or updated
5.9 a registration with an absentee election day registrant's ballot provided by the county auditor
5.10 or municipal clerk to see if the ~~person~~ individual has already voted by absentee ballot. If
5.11 the ~~person's~~ individual's name appears on the list, the election judge must not allow the
5.12 individual to register, to update the individual's registration, or to vote in the polling place.
5.13 The election judge who registers an individual or updates an individual's registration at the
5.14 polling place on election day ~~shall~~ must not handle that voter's ballots at any time prior to
5.15 the opening of the ballot box after the voting ends. Registration applications and forms for
5.16 oaths ~~shall~~ must be available at each polling place. If an individual who registers or updates
5.17 a registration on election day proves residence by oath of a registered voter, the form
5.18 containing the oath ~~shall~~ must be attached to the individual's registration application.
5.19 Registration applications completed on election day ~~shall~~ must be forwarded to the county
5.20 auditor who ~~shall~~ must add the name of each voter to the registration system or update the
5.21 voter's registration unless the information forwarded is substantially deficient. A county
5.22 auditor who finds an election day registration or update substantially deficient ~~shall~~ must
5.23 give written notice to the individual whose registration is found deficient. An election day
5.24 registration ~~shall~~ or update must not be found deficient solely because the individual who
5.25 provided proof of residence was ineligible to do so.

5.26 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.061, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

5.27 Subd. 5. **Unregistered voters; penalty.** No election judge in any precinct ~~in which~~
5.28 ~~registration is required~~ may receive the vote at any election of any individual whose name
5.29 is not registered in a manner specified in section 201.054, subdivision 1 or not recorded
5.30 under section 203B.19. A violation of this subdivision is a felony.

6.1 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.061, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

6.2 Subd. 7. **Record of attempted registrations.** The election judge responsible for election
6.3 day registration ~~shall~~ must attempt to keep a record of the number of individuals who attempt
6.4 to register or update a registration on election day but who cannot provide proof of residence
6.5 as required by this section. The record ~~shall~~ must be forwarded to the county auditor with
6.6 the election returns for that precinct."

6.7 Page 40, line 18, strike "change" and insert "update"

6.8 Page 40, after line 20, insert:

6.9 "Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.071, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

6.10 Subd. 4. **Change of registration.** A county auditor who receives a registration application
6.11 indicating that an individual was previously registered in a different county in Minnesota
6.12 ~~shall~~ must update the voter's record electronically through the statewide registration system
6.13 in the manner prescribed by the secretary of state. A county auditor who receives a
6.14 registration application or notification requiring ~~a change~~ an update of registration records
6.15 under this subdivision as a result of ~~an~~ a voter updating the voter's registration on election
6.16 day registration ~~shall~~ must also check the statewide registration system to determine whether
6.17 the individual voted in more than one precinct in the most recent election."

6.18 Page 40, after line 30, insert:

6.19 "Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.091, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

6.20 Subd. 8. **Registration places.** (a) Each county auditor ~~shall~~ must designate a number of
6.21 public buildings in those political subdivisions of the county where ~~preregistration of voters~~
6.22 ~~is allowed as provided in section 201.061, subdivision 1, where~~ eligible voters may register
6.23 to vote or update the voter's registration as provided in section 201.061, subdivision 1.

6.24 (b) An adequate supply of registration applications and instructions must be maintained
6.25 at each designated location, and a designated individual must be available there to accept
6.26 registration applications and transmit them to the county auditor.

6.27 (c) A person who, because of disability, needs assistance ~~in order~~ to determine eligibility
6.28 ~~or,~~ to register ~~must,~~ or to update a voter registration may be assisted by a designated
6.29 individual. Assistance includes but is not limited to reading the registration form and
6.30 instructions and filling out the registration form as directed by the eligible voter.

7.1 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.121, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

7.2 Subdivision 1. **Entry of registration information.** (a) At the time a voter registration
7.3 application is properly completed, submitted, and received in accordance with sections
7.4 201.061 and 201.071, the county auditor ~~shall~~ must enter or update the information contained
7.5 on it into the statewide registration system. Voter registration applications completed before
7.6 election day must be entered into the statewide registration system within ten days after
7.7 they have been submitted to the county auditor. Voter registration applications completed
7.8 on election day must be entered into the statewide registration system within 42 days after
7.9 the election, unless the county auditor notifies the secretary of state before the deadline has
7.10 expired that the deadline will not be met. Upon receipt of a notification under this paragraph,
7.11 the secretary of state must extend the deadline for that county auditor by an additional 28
7.12 days. The secretary of state may waive a county's obligations under this paragraph if, on
7.13 good cause shown, the county demonstrates its permanent inability to comply.

7.14 The secretary of state must post data on each county's compliance with this paragraph on
7.15 the secretary of state's website including, as applicable, the date each county fully complied
7.16 or the deadline by which a county's compliance must be complete.

7.17 (b) Upon receiving a completed voter registration application, the secretary of state may
7.18 electronically transmit the information on the application to the appropriate county auditor
7.19 as soon as possible for review by the county auditor before final entry ~~into~~ or update in the
7.20 statewide registration system. The secretary of state may mail the voter registration
7.21 application to the county auditor.

7.22 (c) Within ten days after the county auditor has entered or updated information from a
7.23 voter registration application ~~into~~ in the statewide registration system, the secretary of state
7.24 ~~shall~~ must compare the voter's name, date of birth, and driver's license number, state
7.25 identification number, or the last four digits of the Social Security number with the same
7.26 information contained in the Department of Public Safety database.

7.27 (d) The secretary of state ~~shall~~ must provide a report to the county auditor on a weekly
7.28 basis that includes a list of voters whose name, date of birth, or identification number have
7.29 been compared with the same information in the Department of Public Safety database and
7.30 cannot be verified as provided in this subdivision. The report must list separately those
7.31 voters who have submitted a voter registration application by mail and have not voted in a
7.32 federal election in this state.

7.33 (e) The county auditor ~~shall~~ must compile a list of voters for whom the county auditor
7.34 and the secretary of state are unable to conclude that information on the voter registration

8.1 application and the corresponding information in the Department of Public Safety database
8.2 relate to the same person.

8.3 (f) The county auditor ~~shall~~ must send a notice of incomplete registration to any voter
8.4 whose name appears on the list and change the voter's status to "challenged." A voter who
8.5 receives a notice of incomplete registration from the county auditor may either provide the
8.6 information required to clear the challenge at least 21 days before the next election or at
8.7 the polling place on election day.

8.8 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.121, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

8.9 Subd. 3. **Postelection sampling.** (a) Within ten days after an election, the county auditor
8.10 ~~shall~~ must send the notice required by subdivision 2 to a random sampling of the individuals
8.11 who registered or updated voter registration information on election day. The random
8.12 sampling ~~shall~~ must be determined in accordance with the rules of the secretary of state.
8.13 As soon as practicable after the election, the county auditor ~~shall~~ must mail the notice
8.14 required by subdivision 2 to all other individuals who registered or updated voter registration
8.15 information on election day. If a notice is returned as not deliverable, the county auditor
8.16 ~~shall~~ must attempt to determine the reason for the return. A county auditor who does not
8.17 receive or obtain satisfactory proof of an individual's eligibility to vote ~~shall~~ must
8.18 immediately notify the county attorney of all of the relevant information. By February 15
8.19 of each year, the county auditor must notify the secretary of state of the following information
8.20 for each election held in the previous year by each precinct:

8.21 (1) the total number of all notices that were returned as nondeliverable;

8.22 (2) the total number of nondeliverable notices that the county auditor was able to
8.23 determine the reason for the return along with the reason for each return; and

8.24 (3) the total number of individuals for whom the county auditor does not receive or
8.25 obtain satisfactory proof of an individual's eligibility to vote.

8.26 (b) By March 1 of every year, the secretary of state ~~shall~~ must report to the chair and
8.27 ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over elections the
8.28 following information for each election held in the previous year by each precinct and each
8.29 county:

8.30 (1) the total number of all notices that were returned as nondeliverable;

8.31 (2) the total number of nondeliverable notices that a county auditor was able to determine
8.32 the reason for the return along with the reason for each return; and

9.1 (3) the total number of individuals for whom the county auditor does not receive or
9.2 obtain satisfactory proof of an individual's eligibility to vote.

9.3 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.13, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

9.4 Subd. 3. **Use of change of address system.** (a) At least once each month the secretary
9.5 of state ~~shall~~ must obtain a list of individuals registered to vote in this state who have filed
9.6 with the United States Postal Service a change of their permanent address. The secretary
9.7 of state may also periodically obtain a list of individuals with driver's licenses or state
9.8 identification cards to identify those who are registered to vote who have applied to the
9.9 Department of Public Safety for a replacement driver's license or state identification card
9.10 with a different address, and a list of individuals for whom the Department of Public Safety
9.11 received notification of a driver's license or state identification card cancellation due to a
9.12 change of residency out of state. However, the secretary of state ~~shall~~ must not load data
9.13 derived from these lists into the statewide voter registration system within the 47 days before
9.14 the state primary or 47 days before a November general election.

9.15 (b) If the address is changed to another address in this state, the secretary of state ~~shall~~
9.16 must locate the precinct in which the voter maintains residence, if possible. If the secretary
9.17 of state is able to locate the precinct in which the voter maintains residence, the secretary
9.18 must transmit the information about the changed address by electronic means to the county
9.19 auditor of the county in which the new address is located. For addresses for which the
9.20 secretary of state is unable to determine the precinct, the secretary may forward information
9.21 to the appropriate county auditors for individual review. If the voter has not voted or
9.22 submitted a voter registration application since the address change, upon receipt of the
9.23 information, the county auditor ~~shall~~ must update the voter's address in the statewide voter
9.24 registration system. The county auditor ~~shall~~ must mail to the voter a notice stating the
9.25 voter's name, address, precinct, and polling place, unless the voter's record is challenged
9.26 due to a felony conviction, noncitizenship, name change, incompetence, or a court's
9.27 revocation of voting rights of individuals under guardianship, in which case the auditor
9.28 must not mail the notice. The notice must advise the voter that the voter's voting address
9.29 has been ~~changed~~ updated and that the voter must notify the county auditor within 21 days
9.30 if the new address is not the voter's address of residence. The notice must state that it must
9.31 be returned if it is not deliverable to the voter at the named address.

9.32 (c) If the change of permanent address is to an address outside this state, the secretary
9.33 of state ~~shall~~ must notify by electronic means the auditor of the county where the voter
9.34 formerly maintained residence that the voter has moved to another state. If the voter has

not voted or submitted a voter registration application since the address change, the county auditor ~~shall~~ must promptly mail to the voter at the voter's new address a notice advising the voter that the voter's status in the statewide voter registration system will be changed to "inactive" unless the voter notifies the county auditor within 21 days that the voter is retaining the former address as the voter's address of residence, except that if the voter's record is challenged due to a felony conviction, noncitizenship, name change, incompetence, or a court's revocation of voting rights of individuals under guardianship, the auditor must not mail the notice. If the notice is not received by the deadline, the county auditor ~~shall~~ must change the voter's status to "inactive" in the statewide voter registration system.

(d) If, in order to maintain voter registration records, the secretary of state enters an agreement to share information or data with an organization governed exclusively by a group of states, the secretary must first determine that the data security protocols are sufficient to safeguard the information or data shared. If required by such an agreement, the secretary of state may share the following data from the statewide voter registration system and data released to the secretary of state under section 171.12, subdivision 7a:

(1) name;

(2) date of birth;

(3) address;

(4) driver's license or state identification card number;

(5) the last four digits of an individual's Social Security number; and

(6) the date that an individual's record was last updated.

If the secretary of state enters into such an agreement, the secretary and county auditors must process ~~changes~~ updates to voter records based upon that data in accordance with this section. Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, when data is shared with the secretary of state by another state, the secretary of state must maintain the same data classification that the data had while it was in the possession of the state providing the data.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.14, is amended to read:

201.14 COURT ADMINISTRATOR OF DISTRICT COURT; REPORT CHANGES OF NAMES.

The state court administrator ~~shall~~ must regularly report by electronic means to the secretary of state the name, address, and, if available, driver's license or state identification card number of each individual, 18 years of age or over, whose name was changed since

11.1 the last report, by marriage, divorce, or any order or decree of the court. The secretary of
11.2 state ~~shall~~ must determine if any of the ~~persons~~ individuals in the report are registered to
11.3 vote under their previous name and ~~shall~~ must prepare a list of those registrants for each
11.4 county auditor. Upon receipt of the list, the county auditor ~~shall make the change in~~ must
11.5 update the voter's record with this information and mail to the voter the notice of registration
11.6 required by section 201.121, subdivision 2. A notice must not be mailed if the voter's record
11.7 is challenged due to a felony conviction, lack of United States citizenship, legal
11.8 incompetence, or court-ordered revocation of voting rights of persons under guardianship.

11.9 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.161, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

11.10 Subd. 4. **Department of Human Services.** (a) If permitted by the federal government,
11.11 the commissioner of human services, in consultation with the secretary of state, must ensure
11.12 the applications described in subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (2), also serve as voter
11.13 registration applications for applicants 18 years of age or older whose United States
11.14 citizenship has been verified as part of the application. The commissioner must transmit
11.15 information required to register to vote, as prescribed by the secretary of state, daily by
11.16 electronic means to the secretary of state for an individual whose United States citizenship
11.17 has been verified. The commissioner must submit data to the secretary of state identifying
11.18 the total number of individuals who completed qualifying transactions under this section
11.19 and the total number of individuals whose records were ultimately transferred for registration
11.20 or updates to registrations. At a minimum, the commissioner must submit the data to the
11.21 secretary of state on the same day each month.

11.22 (b) No applicant may be registered to vote or have a registration updated under this
11.23 subdivision until (1) the commissioner of human services has certified that the department's
11.24 systems have been tested and can accurately provide the required data and accurately exclude
11.25 from transmission data on individuals who have not provided documentary evidence of
11.26 United States citizenship, and (2) the secretary of state has certified that the system for
11.27 automatic registration of those applicants has been tested and is capable of properly
11.28 determining whether an applicant is eligible to vote. The department's systems must be
11.29 tested and accurately provide the necessary data no later than September 30 of the year
11.30 following the year in which federal approval or permission is given, contingent on
11.31 appropriations being available for this purpose.

12.1 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.161, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

12.2 Subd. 5. **Other agencies and units of government.** (a) The commissioner of management
12.3 and budget must, in consultation with the secretary of state, identify any other state agency
12.4 that is eligible to implement automatic voter registration. The commissioner must consider
12.5 a state agency eligible if the agency collects, processes, or stores the following information
12.6 as part of providing assistance or services: name, residential address, date of birth, and
12.7 citizenship verification. An eligible agency must submit a report to the governor and secretary
12.8 of state no later than December 1, 2024, describing steps needed to implement automatic
12.9 voter registration, barriers to implementation and ways to mitigate them, and applicable
12.10 federal and state privacy protections for the data under consideration. By June 1, 2025, the
12.11 governor, at the governor's sole discretion, must make final decisions, as to which agencies
12.12 will implement automatic voter registration by December 31, 2025, and which agencies
12.13 could implement automatic voter registration if provided with additional resources or if the
12.14 legislature changed the law to allow data to be used for automatic voter registration. The
12.15 governor must notify the commissioner of management and budget of the governor's
12.16 decisions related to automatic voter registration. By October 1, 2025, the commissioner of
12.17 management and budget must report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the
12.18 legislative committees with jurisdiction over election policy and finance. The report must
12.19 include:

12.20 (1) the agencies that will implement automatic voter registration by December 31, 2025;

12.21 (2) the agencies which could implement automatic voter registration if provided with
12.22 additional resources and recommendations on the necessary additional resources; and

12.23 (3) the agencies that could implement automatic voter registration if the legislature
12.24 changed the law to allow data to be used for voter registration and recommendations on
12.25 how the law could be changed to allow the use of the data for this purpose.

12.26 (b) An agency may not begin verifying citizenship as part of an agency transaction for
12.27 the sole purpose of providing automatic voter registration. Once an agency has implemented
12.28 automatic voter registration, it must continue to provide automatic voter registration unless
12.29 otherwise expressly required by law. For each individual whose United States citizenship
12.30 has been verified, the commissioner or agency head must transmit information required to
12.31 register to vote, as prescribed by the secretary of state, to the secretary of state by electronic
12.32 means. The governor must determine the frequency of the transmissions for each agency.

12.33 (c) No applicant may be registered to vote or have a registration updated under this
12.34 subdivision until (1) the agency's commissioner or agency head has certified that the

13.1 necessary systems have been tested and can accurately provide the required data and
13.2 accurately exclude from transmission data on individuals whose United States citizenship
13.3 has not been verified, and (2) the secretary of state has certified that the system for automatic
13.4 registration of those applicants has been tested and is capable of properly determining
13.5 whether an applicant is eligible to vote.

13.6 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.161, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

13.7 Subd. 8. **Effective date of registration.** Unless the applicant declines registration, the
13.8 effective date for the voter registration or update to a voter registration is the date that the
13.9 county auditor processes the application. This subdivision does not limit the ability of a
13.10 person to register to vote or update their registration on election day as provided in section
13.11 201.061, subdivision 3. Any person who submits a qualifying application under subdivision
13.12 1 that is dated during the 20 days before an election must be provided, at the time of
13.13 application, with a notice advising the applicant of the procedures to register to vote or
13.14 update a voter registration on election day.

13.15 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.162, is amended to read:

13.16 **201.162 DUTIES OF STATE AGENCIES.**

13.17 The commissioner or chief administrative officer of each state agency or
13.18 community-based public agency or nonprofit corporation that contracts with the state agency
13.19 to carry out obligations of the state agency ~~shall~~ must provide voter registration services
13.20 for employees and the public, including, as applicable, automatic voter registration or
13.21 information on voter eligibility ~~and, registration procedures, and updating registrations~~ as
13.22 required under section 201.161. ~~A person~~ An individual may complete a voter registration
13.23 application or apply to ~~change~~ update a voter registration name or address if the ~~person~~
13.24 individual has the proper qualifications on the date of application. Nonpartisan voter
13.25 registration assistance, including routinely asking members of the public served by the
13.26 agency whether they would like to register to vote or update a voter registration and, if
13.27 necessary, assisting them in preparing the registration forms must be part of the job of
13.28 appropriate agency employees."

13.29 Page 41, line 30, strike "preregistered" and insert "registered" and strike "preregistered"
13.30 and insert "registered"

13.31 Page 42, line 11, strike "election day registration" and insert "registering voters and
13.32 updating voters' registration"

14.1 Page 42, line 12, strike "preregistered voter" and after "processing" insert "voters who
14.2 are registered and do not need to update a registration"

14.3 Page 42, after line 14, insert:

14.4 "Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.225, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

14.5 Subd. 5. **Election day.** (a) Precincts may use electronic rosters for registering voters
14.6 and updating registrations on election day ~~registration~~, to process ~~preregistered~~ registered
14.7 voters, or both. The printed election day registration applications must be reviewed when
14.8 electronic records are processed in the statewide voter registration system. The election
14.9 judges ~~shall~~ must determine the number of ballots to be counted by counting the number
14.10 of original voter signature certificates or the number of voter receipts.

14.11 (b) Each precinct using electronic rosters ~~shall~~ must have a paper backup system approved
14.12 by the secretary of state present at the polling place to use in the event that the election
14.13 judges are unable to use the electronic roster.

14.14 Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 201.275, is amended to read:

14.15 **201.275 INVESTIGATIONS; PROSECUTIONS.**

14.16 (a) A law enforcement agency that is notified by affidavit of an alleged violation of this
14.17 chapter ~~shall~~ must promptly investigate. Upon receiving an affidavit alleging a violation of
14.18 this chapter, a county attorney ~~shall~~ must promptly forward it to a law enforcement agency
14.19 with jurisdiction for investigation. If there is probable cause for instituting a prosecution,
14.20 the county attorney ~~shall~~ must proceed according to the generally applicable standards
14.21 regarding the prosecutorial functions and duties of a county attorney, provided that the
14.22 county attorney is not required to proceed with the prosecution if the complainant withdraws
14.23 the allegation. A county attorney who refuses or intentionally fails to faithfully perform this
14.24 or any other duty imposed by this chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction
14.25 ~~shall~~ must forfeit office.

14.26 (b) Willful violation of this chapter by any public employee constitutes just cause for
14.27 suspension without pay or dismissal of the public employee.

14.28 (c) Where the matter relates to a voter registration application submitted electronically
14.29 through the secure website established in section 201.061, subdivision 1, alleged violations
14.30 of this chapter may be investigated and prosecuted in the county in which the individual
14.31 registered, updated a voter registration, or attempted to register."

15.1 Page 42, line 17 after "section" insert "203B.06, subdivision 3, paragraph (c), clause
15.2 (4);" and strike the fifth comma and insert a semicolon

15.3 Page 42, line 20 delete "or" and after "mail" insert ", or by an individual delivering an
15.4 application on behalf of another voter"

15.5 Page 43, line 3 delete "an" and insert "a primary or general" and after "election," insert
15.6 "but not a special primary or special election,"

15.7 Page 43, line 29 delete "is"

15.8 Page 44, line 10 delete "the person"

15.9 Page 44, line 11 delete everything before "the application" and delete "is" and insert
15.10 "must be"

15.11 Page 44, after line 22, insert:

15.12 "Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 203B.04, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

15.13 Subd. 4. **Registration at time of application; updating registration.** An eligible voter
15.14 who is not registered to vote or needs to update the voter's registration but who is otherwise
15.15 eligible to vote by absentee ballot may register or update a registration by including a
15.16 completed voter registration application with the absentee ballot. The individual ~~shall~~ must
15.17 present proof of residence as required by section 201.061, subdivision 3, to the individual
15.18 who witnesses the marking of the absentee ballots. A military voter, as defined in section
15.19 203B.01, may register in this manner if voting pursuant to sections 203B.04 to 203B.15, or
15.20 may register pursuant to sections 203B.16 to 203B.27."

15.21 Page 45, after line 14, insert:

15.22 "Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 203B.06, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

15.23 Subd. 4. **Registration check.** Upon receipt of an application for ballots, the county
15.24 auditor, municipal clerk, or election judge acting pursuant to section 203B.11, who receives
15.25 the application ~~shall~~ must determine whether the applicant is a registered voter. If the
15.26 applicant is not registered to vote or needs to update the voter's registration, the county
15.27 auditor, municipal clerk, or election judge ~~shall~~ must include a voter registration application
15.28 among the election materials provided to the applicant.

16.1 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 203B.07, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

16.2 Subdivision 1. **Delivery of envelopes, directions.** The county auditor or the municipal
16.3 clerk ~~shall~~ must prepare, print, and transmit a return envelope, a signature envelope, a ballot
16.4 envelope, and a copy of the directions for casting an absentee ballot to each applicant whose
16.5 application for absentee ballots is accepted pursuant to section 203B.04. The county auditor
16.6 or municipal clerk ~~shall~~ must provide first class postage for the return envelope. The
16.7 directions for casting an absentee ballot ~~shall~~ must be printed in at least 14-point bold type
16.8 with heavy leading and may be printed on the ballot envelope. When a person requests the
16.9 directions in Braille or on audio file, the county auditor or municipal clerk ~~shall~~ must provide
16.10 them in the form requested. The secretary of state ~~shall~~ must prepare Braille and audio file
16.11 copies and make them available.

16.12 When a voter registration application is sent to the applicant as provided in section
16.13 203B.06, subdivision 4, the directions or registration application ~~shall~~ must include
16.14 instructions for registering to vote or updating a voter's registration.

16.15 Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 203B.07, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

16.16 Subd. 3. **Eligibility certificate.** A certificate of eligibility to vote by absentee ballot
16.17 ~~shall~~ must be printed on the back of the signature envelope. The certificate ~~shall~~ must contain
16.18 space for the voter's Minnesota driver's license number, state identification number, or the
16.19 last four digits of the voter's Social Security number, or to indicate that the voter does not
16.20 have one of these numbers. The space must be designed to ensure that the voter provides
16.21 the same type of identification as provided on the voter's absentee ballot application for
16.22 purposes of comparison. The certificate must also contain a statement to be signed and
16.23 sworn by the voter indicating that the voter meets all of the requirements established by law
16.24 for voting by absentee ballot and space for a statement signed by a person who is at least
16.25 18 years of age on or before the day of the election and a citizen of the United States or by
16.26 a notary public or other individual authorized to administer oaths stating that:

16.27 (1) the ballots were displayed to that individual unmarked;

16.28 (2) the voter marked the ballots in that individual's presence without showing how they
16.29 were marked, or, if the voter was physically unable to mark them, that the voter directed
16.30 another individual to mark them; and

16.31 (3) if the voter was not previously registered or needed to update the voter's registration,
16.32 the voter has provided proof of residence as required by section 201.061, subdivision 3.

16.33 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2026."

17.1 Page 48, delete section 12 and insert:

17.2 "Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 203B.121, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

17.3 Subd. 2. **Duties of ballot board; absentee ballots.** (a) The members of the ballot board
17.4 shall take possession of all signature envelopes delivered to them in accordance with section
17.5 203B.08. Upon receipt from the county auditor, municipal clerk, or school district clerk,
17.6 two or more members of the ballot board shall examine each signature envelope and shall
17.7 mark it accepted or rejected in the manner provided in this subdivision. Election judges
17.8 performing the duties in this section must be of different major political parties, unless they
17.9 are exempt from that requirement under section 204B.21, subdivision 2a; section 205.07,
17.10 subdivision 4; section 205.075, subdivision 4, or section 205A.10, subdivision 2.

17.11 (b) The members of the ballot board shall mark the signature envelope "Accepted" and
17.12 initial or sign the signature envelope below the word "Accepted" if a majority of the members
17.13 of the ballot board examining the envelope are satisfied that:

17.14 (1) the voter's name and address on the signature envelope are the same as the information
17.15 provided on the absentee ballot application or voter record;

17.16 (2) the voter signed the certification on the envelope;

17.17 (3) the voter's Minnesota driver's license, state identification number, or the last four
17.18 digits of the voter's Social Security number are the same as a number on the voter's absentee
17.19 ballot application or voter record. If the number does not match, the election judges must
17.20 compare the signature provided by the applicant to determine whether the ballots were
17.21 returned by the same person to whom they were transmitted;

17.22 (4) the voter is registered and eligible to vote in the precinct or has included a properly
17.23 completed voter registration application in the signature envelope;

17.24 (5) the certificate has been completed as prescribed in the directions for casting an
17.25 absentee ballot; and

17.26 (6) the voter has not already voted at that election, either in person or, if it is after the
17.27 close of business on the 19th day before the election, as provided by section 203B.081.

17.28 The signature envelope from accepted ballots must be preserved and returned to the
17.29 county auditor.

17.30 (c)(1) If a majority of the members of the ballot board examining a signature envelope
17.31 find that an absentee voter has failed to meet one of the requirements provided in paragraph
17.32 (b), they shall mark the signature envelope "Rejected," initial or sign it below the word

18.1 "Rejected," list the reason for the rejection on the envelope, and return it to the county
18.2 auditor. There is no other reason for rejecting an absentee ballot beyond those permitted by
18.3 this section. Failure to place the ballot within the ballot envelope before placing it in the
18.4 outer white envelope is not a reason to reject an absentee ballot.

18.5 (2) If an envelope has been rejected at least five days before the election, the envelope
18.6 must remain sealed and the official in charge of the ballot board shall provide the voter with
18.7 a replacement absentee ballot and signature envelope in place of the rejected ballot.

18.8 (3) If an envelope is rejected within five days of the election, the envelope must remain
18.9 sealed and the official in charge of the ballot board must attempt to contact the voter to
18.10 notify the voter that the voter's ballot has been rejected by the method or methods of
18.11 communication provided by the voter on the voter's application for an absentee ballot or
18.12 voter registration. The official must document the attempts made to contact the voter.

18.13 (d) The official in charge of the absentee ballot board must mail the voter a written notice
18.14 of absentee ballot rejection between six and ten weeks following the election. If the official
18.15 determines that the voter has otherwise cast a ballot in the election, no notice is required.
18.16 If an absentee ballot arrives after the deadline for submission provided by this chapter, the
18.17 notice must be provided between six to ten weeks after receipt of the ballot. A notice of
18.18 absentee ballot rejection must contain the following information:

18.19 (1) the date on which the absentee ballot was rejected or, if the ballot was received after
18.20 the required deadline for submission, the date on which the ballot was received;

18.21 (2) the reason for rejection; and

18.22 (3) the name of the appropriate election official to whom the voter may direct further
18.23 questions, along with appropriate contact information.

18.24 (e) An absentee ballot signature envelope marked "Rejected" may not be opened or
18.25 subject to further review except in an election contest filed pursuant to chapter 209."

18.26 Page 52, after line 28, insert:

18.27 "Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 203B.30, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

18.28 Subd. 2. **Voting procedure.** (a) When a voter appears in an early voting polling place,
18.29 the voter must state the voter's name, address, and, if requested, the voter's date of birth to
18.30 the early voting official. The early voting official must confirm that the voter's registration
18.31 is current in the statewide voter registration system and that the voter has not already cast
18.32 a ballot in the election. If the voter's status is challenged, the voter may resolve the challenge

19.1 as provided in section 204C.12. An individual who is not registered to vote ~~or~~ must register
 19.2 and a voter whose name or address has changed must register update the voter's registration
 19.3 in the manner provided in section 201.061, subdivision 3. A voter who has already cast a
 19.4 ballot in the election must not be provided with a ballot.

19.5 (b) Each voter must sign the certification provided in section 204C.10. The signature of
 19.6 an individual on the voter's certificate and the issuance of a ballot to the individual is evidence
 19.7 of the intent of the individual to vote at that election. After the voter signs the certification,
 19.8 two early voting officials must initial the ballot and issue it to the voter. The voter must
 19.9 immediately retire to a voting station or other designated location in the polling place to
 19.10 mark the ballot. The voter must not take a ballot from the polling place. If the voter spoils
 19.11 the ballot, the voter may return it to the early voting official in exchange for a new ballot.
 19.12 After completing the ballot, the voter must deposit the ballot into the ballot counter and
 19.13 ballot box. The early voting official must immediately record that the voter has voted in the
 19.14 manner provided in section 203B.121, subdivision 3.

19.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective upon the revisor of statutes' receipt of
 19.16 the early voting certification and applies to elections held on or after the 85th day after the
 19.17 revisor of statutes receives the certification."

19.18 Page 59, line 24, after "rosters" insert a comma

19.19 Page 64, line 20, after the period, insert "(b)"

19.20 Reletter the paragraphs in sequence and correct cross-references

19.21 Page 65, line 19, after the period, insert "(g)"

19.22 Page 65, after line 24, insert:

19.23 "Sec. 57. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 204B.21, is amended by adding a subdivision
 19.24 to read:

19.25 **Subd. 2a. Election judges; party balance.** The provisions of sections 204B.19,
 19.26 subdivision 5; 204B.21, subdivision 2, paragraphs (b) to (f); 204C.15; 204C.19; 206.83;
 19.27 and 206.86, subdivision 2, relating to party balance in the appointment of judges and to
 19.28 duties to be performed by judges of different major political parties do not apply to a county
 19.29 election not held in conjunction with a state or federal election."

19.30 Page 70, line 20, after "section" insert "204B.21, subdivision 2a; 205.07, subdivision
 19.31 4;"

20.1 Page 70, line 21, strike the first comma and insert a semicolon and delete the new
20.2 language

20.3 Page 70, line 22, delete the new language

20.4 Page 71, after line 10, insert:

20.5 "Sec. 64. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 204C.05, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

20.6 Subd. 2. **Voters in line at closing.** (a) At or before the hour when voting is scheduled
20.7 to begin, the election judges ~~shall~~ must agree upon the standard of time they will use to
20.8 determine when voting will begin and end. Voting ~~shall~~ must not be allowed after the time
20.9 when it is scheduled to end, unless individuals are waiting in the polling place or waiting
20.10 in line at the door to register, to update the voter's registration, or to vote. The voting ~~shall~~
20.11 must continue until those individuals have been allowed to vote. ~~No~~ An individual who
20.12 comes to the polling place or to a line outside the polling place after the time when voting
20.13 is scheduled to end ~~shall~~ must not be allowed to vote.

20.14 (b) The local election official may extend polling place hours to accommodate voters
20.15 that would have been in line at the regular polling place if the polling place had not been
20.16 combined or moved on election day pursuant to section 204B.14, subdivision 2, or 204B.175.
20.17 Polling place hours may be extended at the new polling place for one hour. The local election
20.18 official must immediately provide notice to the county auditor, secretary of state, and election
20.19 judges of the extension in polling place hours. The local election official must also request
20.20 that the local media outlets publicly announce the extended polling place hours. Voters in
20.21 the polling place or waiting in line at the door to register, to update the voter's registration,
20.22 or to vote at the end of the extended polling place hours ~~shall~~ must be allowed to vote
20.23 pursuant to paragraph (a).

20.24 Sec. 65. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 204C.06, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

20.25 Subdivision 1. **Persons allowed near polling place.** An individual ~~shall~~ must be allowed
20.26 to go to and from the polling place for the purpose of voting without unlawful interference.
20.27 ~~No one~~ Except an election official or an individual who is waiting to register, to update the
20.28 voter's registration, or to vote or an individual who is conducting exit polling ~~shall~~, an
20.29 individual must not stand within 100 feet of the building in which a polling place is located.

20.30 Sec. 66. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 204C.06, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

20.31 Subd. 2. **Individuals allowed in polling place; identification.** (a) Representatives of
20.32 the secretary of state's office, the county auditor's office, and the municipal or school district

21.1 clerk's office may be present at the polling place to observe election procedures. Except for
21.2 these representatives, election judges, sergeants-at-arms, and challengers, an individual may
21.3 remain inside the polling place during voting hours only while voting ~~or~~, updating the voter's
21.4 registration, registering to vote, providing proof of residence for an individual who is
21.5 registering to vote or updating a registration, or assisting a ~~disabled~~ voter with a disability
21.6 or a voter who is unable to read English. During voting hours no one except individuals
21.7 receiving, marking, or depositing ballots shall approach within six feet of a voting booth,
21.8 ballot counter, or electronic voting equipment, unless lawfully authorized to do so by an
21.9 election judge or the individual is an election judge monitoring the operation of the ballot
21.10 counter or electronic voting equipment.

21.11 (b) Teachers and elementary or secondary school students participating in an educational
21.12 activity authorized by section 204B.27, subdivision 7, may be present at the polling place
21.13 during voting hours.

21.14 (c) Each official on duty in the polling place must wear an identification badge that
21.15 shows their role in the election process. The badge must not show their party affiliation.

21.16 Sec. 67. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 204C.06, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

21.17 Subd. 6. **Peace officers.** Except when summoned by an election judge to restore the
21.18 peace or when voting, updating a registration, or registering to vote, no peace officer shall
21.19 enter or remain in a polling place or stand within 50 feet of the entrance of a polling place."

21.20 Page 71, line 26, after "vote" insert "or to update your registration"

21.21 Page 72, line 16, after "enactment" insert ", except that the change in clause (3) is effective
21.22 January 1, 2026"

21.23 Page 74, line 4, delete "on"

21.24 Page 74, after line 4, insert:

21.25 "Sec. 71. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 204C.15, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

21.26 Subd. 2. **Outside the polling place.** An individual who is unable to enter a polling place
21.27 ~~where paper ballots or an electronic voting system are used~~ may register or update the voter's
21.28 registration and vote without leaving a motor vehicle. Upon request of the voter, two election
21.29 judges who are members of different major political parties ~~shall~~ must assist the voter to
21.30 register or to update a registration, as applicable, and to complete a voter's certificate and
21.31 ~~shall~~ must provide the necessary ballots. The voter may request additional assistance in
21.32 marking ballots as provided in subdivision 1.

22.1 Sec. 72. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 204C.15, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

22.2 Subd. 3. **Voting lines.** In all polling places, upon request of the voter, two election judges
22.3 ~~shall~~ must assist a ~~disabled~~ voter with a disability to enter the polling place and go through
22.4 ~~the registration and voting lines~~ lines to register to vote or update the voter's registration,
22.5 as applicable, and to vote. The voter may also request the assistance of election judges or
22.6 any other individual in marking ballots, as provided in subdivision 1.

22.7 Sec. 73. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 204C.24, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

22.8 Subdivision 1. **Information requirements.** Precinct summary statements ~~shall~~ must be
22.9 submitted by the election judges in every precinct. For all elections, the election judges
22.10 ~~shall~~ must complete three or more copies of the summary statements, and each copy ~~shall~~
22.11 must contain the following information for each kind of ballot:

22.12 (1) the number of ballots delivered to the precinct as adjusted by the actual count made
22.13 by the election judges, the number of unofficial ballots made, and the number of absentee
22.14 ballots delivered to the precinct;

22.15 (2) the number of votes each candidate received or the number of yes and no votes on
22.16 each question, the number of undervotes, the number of overvotes, and the number of
22.17 defective ballots with respect to each office or question;

22.18 (3) the number of spoiled ballots, the number of duplicate ballots made, the number of
22.19 absentee ballots rejected, and the number of unused ballots, presuming that the total count
22.20 provided on each package of unopened prepackaged ballots is correct;

22.21 (4) the number of voted ballots indicating only a voter's choices as provided by section
22.22 206.80, paragraph (b), clause (2), item (ii), in precincts that use an assistive voting device
22.23 that produces this type of ballot;

22.24 (5) the number of individuals who voted at the election in the precinct which must equal
22.25 the total number of ballots cast in the precinct, as required by sections 204C.20 and 206.86,
22.26 subdivision 1;

22.27 (6) the number of voters registering or updating registrations on election day in that
22.28 precinct;

22.29 (7) the signatures of the election judges who counted the ballots certifying that all of the
22.30 ballots cast were properly piled, checked, and counted; and that the numbers entered by the
22.31 election judges on the summary statements correctly show the number of votes cast for each
22.32 candidate and for and against each question;

23.1 (8) the number of election judges that worked in that precinct on election day; and

23.2 (9) the number of voting booths used in that precinct on election day.

23.3 At least two copies of the summary statement must be prepared for elections not held
23.4 on the same day as the state elections.

23.5 Sec. 74. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 204C.32, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

23.6 Subdivision 1. **County canvass.** The county canvassing board ~~shall~~ must meet at the
23.7 county auditor's office on either the second or third day following the state primary. After
23.8 taking the oath of office, the canvassing board ~~shall~~ must publicly canvass the election
23.9 returns delivered to the county auditor. The board ~~shall~~ must complete the canvass by the
23.10 third day following the state primary and ~~shall~~ must promptly prepare and file with the
23.11 county auditor a report that states:

23.12 (a) the number of individuals voting at the election in the county, and in each precinct;

23.13 (b) for each precinct, the number of individuals registering to vote or updating
23.14 registrations on election day and the number of individuals who were registered before
23.15 election day in each precinct and did not need to update the voter's registration;

23.16 (c) for each major political party, the names of the candidates running for each partisan
23.17 office and the number of votes received by each candidate in the county and in each precinct;

23.18 (d) the names of the candidates of each major political party who are nominated; and

23.19 (e) the number of votes received by each of the candidates for nonpartisan office in each
23.20 precinct in the county and the names of the candidates nominated for nonpartisan office.

23.21 Upon completion of the canvass, the county auditor ~~shall~~ must mail or deliver a notice
23.22 of nomination to each nominee for county office voted for only in that county. The county
23.23 auditor ~~shall~~ must transmit one of the certified copies of the county canvassing board report
23.24 for state and federal offices to the secretary of state by express mail or similar service
23.25 immediately upon conclusion of the county canvass. The secretary of state ~~shall~~ must mail
23.26 a notice of nomination to each nominee for state or federal office.

23.27 Sec. 75. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 204C.33, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

23.28 Subdivision 1. **County canvass.** The county canvassing board ~~shall~~ must meet at the
23.29 county auditor's office between the third and eighth days following the state general election.
23.30 After taking the oath of office, the board ~~shall~~ must promptly and publicly canvass the

24.1 general election returns delivered to the county auditor. Upon completion of the canvass,
24.2 the board ~~shall~~ must promptly prepare and file with the county auditor a report which states:

24.3 (a) the number of individuals voting at the election in the county and in each precinct;

24.4 (b) for each precinct, the number of individuals registering to vote or updating
24.5 registrations on election day and the number of individuals who were registered before
24.6 election day in each precinct and did not need to update the voter's registration;

24.7 (c) the names of the candidates for each office and the number of votes received by each
24.8 candidate in the county and in each precinct;

24.9 (d) the number of votes counted for and against a proposed change of county lines or
24.10 county seat; and

24.11 (e) the number of votes counted for and against a constitutional amendment or other
24.12 question in the county and in each precinct.

24.13 The result of write-in votes cast on the general election ballots must be compiled by the
24.14 county auditor before the county canvass, except that write-in votes for a candidate for
24.15 federal, state, or county office must not be counted unless the candidate has timely filed a
24.16 request under section 204B.09, subdivision 3. The county auditor ~~shall~~ must arrange for
24.17 each municipality to provide an adequate number of election judges to perform this duty or
24.18 the county auditor may appoint additional election judges for this purpose. The county
24.19 auditor may open the envelopes or containers in which the voted ballots have been sealed
24.20 in order to count and record the write-in votes and must reseal the voted ballots at the
24.21 conclusion of this process. The county auditor must prepare a separate report of votes
24.22 received by precinct for write-in candidates for federal, state, and county offices who have
24.23 requested under section 204B.09 that votes for those candidates be tallied.

24.24 Upon completion of the canvass, the county canvassing board ~~shall~~ must declare the
24.25 candidate duly elected who received the highest number of votes for each county and state
24.26 office voted for only within the county. The county auditor ~~shall~~ must transmit a certified
24.27 copy of the county canvassing board report for state and federal offices to the secretary of
24.28 state by messenger, express mail, or similar service immediately upon conclusion of the
24.29 county canvass.

24.30 Sec. 76. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 205.07, is amended by adding a subdivision to
24.31 read:

24.32 Subd. 4. Election judges; party balance. The provisions of sections 204B.19, subdivision
24.33 5; 204B.21, subdivision 2, paragraphs (b) to (f); 204C.15; 204C.19; 206.83; and 206.86,

25.1 subdivision 2, relating to party balance in the appointment of judges and to duties to be
25.2 performed by judges of different major political parties do not apply to a city election not
25.3 held in conjunction with a state or federal election.

25.4 Sec. 77. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 205.075, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

25.5 Subd. 4. **Election judges; party balance.** The provisions of sections 204B.19, subdivision
25.6 5; 204B.21, subdivision 2, paragraphs (b) to (f); 204C.15; 204C.19; 206.83; and 206.86,
25.7 subdivision 2, relating to party balance in the appointment of judges and to duties to be
25.8 performed by judges of different major political parties do not apply to a town election not
25.9 held in conjunction with a ~~statewide~~ state or federal election."

25.10 Page 76, after line 15, insert:

25.11 "Sec. 83. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 205A.10, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

25.12 Subd. 2. **Election, conduct.** A school district election must be by secret ballot and must
25.13 be held and the returns made in the manner provided for the state general election, as far as
25.14 practicable. The vote totals from a ballot board established pursuant to section 203B.121
25.15 may be tabulated and reported by the school district as a whole rather than by precinct. For
25.16 school district elections not held in conjunction with a statewide election, the school board
25.17 shall appoint election judges as provided in section 204B.21, subdivision 2. The provisions
25.18 of sections 204B.19, subdivision 5; 204B.21, subdivision 2, paragraphs (b) to (f); 204C.15;
25.19 204C.19; 206.83; and 206.86, subdivision 2, relating to party balance in appointment of
25.20 judges and to duties to be performed by judges of different major political parties do not
25.21 apply to school district elections not held in conjunction with a ~~statewide~~ state or federal
25.22 election."

25.23 Page 78, line 13, delete "on"

25.24 Page 81, line 28, before "modifications" insert "the"

25.25 Renumber the sections in sequence