

2025 Legislative Resolution

Title: Manner of Voting

Sponsor(s): Kristina Glascock

Statutes Affected: 34-1107

County Offices Affected (Must affect at least 2): County Clerk and County Commissioners

Counties Affected (Must affect at least 2): All 44 counties

Explain the Issue or Problem: The record of the elector voting is kept in the original paper pollbook or the electronic pollbook when the elector checks in. The elector is given vote history from that data. There is no need for the judge at the ballot box to record that the voter has voted. In addition, the voter has already confirmed and validated their address when checking in, either at the paper pollbook or the electronic pollbook in accordance to I.C. 34-1106.

Background & Data: The original intention of this code was for poll watchers to be able to relay information to their campaigns to help get their voters out to vote.

Proposed Policy: 34-1107. MANNER OF VOTING. On receipt of his ballot the elector shall retire to a vacant voting booth and mark his ballot according to the instructions provided by law.

After marking his ballot, the elector shall present himself to the judge at the ballot box and state his name ~~and residence~~. The elector shall then deposit his ballot in the proper box or hand his ballot to the election judge, who shall deposit it. The judge shall then ~~record that the elector has voted and~~ proclaim the elector has voted in an audible voice.

Arguments & Entities in Support:

Arguments & Entities Against:

Feasibility:

Other Stakeholders Affected & Nature of Impact:

Fiscal Impact: There could be savings at the county level due to the cost savings in paper and printing.

Will Proposed Policy Create an Unfunded County Mandate: No.