

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 172
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in lines 2 and 3, strike “and Security of Voter Registration Information”; in line 4, after “of” insert “repealing provisions of law that require the State Board of Elections and a local board of elections to be open for business during certain hours on a certain date;”; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 5 down through “Fund;” in line 17; in line 18, strike “and the security of voter registration information”; in line 21, after “Section” insert “2-302 and”; and in the same line, strike “and 3-506”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 3, insert:

“2-302.

(a) (1) The State Board shall be open for business during regular business hours on each State government workday.

(2) The State Board shall remain open until 9 p.m. on the last day for[:

(i) the filing of a certificate of candidacy for each election conducted under this article[; and

(ii) the close of voter registration prior to each election conducted under this article].

(b) (1) Each local board shall be open for business:

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(i) on each day that is a county government workday in its county;

(ii) on each election day; and

(iii) until 9 p.m. on the last day for[:

1.] the filing of a certificate of candidacy for an election conducted in the county, if a certificate can be filed with the local board[;

2. the close of voter registration prior to each election held in the county; and

3. the filing of an application by a voter for a change in party affiliation].

(2) The members of each local board shall be available as needed on an election day and during the canvass of each election.

(3) The hours that a local board is open for business:

(i) may be the same as the regular business hours of its county government; or

(ii) for the convenience of the public, may be different from the regular business hours of its county government, except that the number of business hours the office is open each business day must be at least equivalent to the number of business hours that the county government is open.”.

On pages 2 through 4, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 29 on page 2 through line 21 on page 4, inclusive.