

House Bill 2511

Sponsored by Representatives WHISNANT, BARKER, Senators DEVLIN, BOQUIST; Representatives CAMERON, ESQUIVEL, GILMAN, KRIEGER, THATCHER

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Directs Secretary of State to adopt electronic voting system to allow certain long term absent electors to cast ballots electronically.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to electronic voting system; and declaring an emergency.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2009 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 253.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) The Secretary of State by rule shall adopt an electronic voting system**
6 **to allow a long term absent elector described in ORS 253.510 (1) or (2) to cast a ballot elec-**
7 **tronically using the Internet. The Secretary of State may utilize the voting assistance sys-**
8 **tem administered by the United States Department of Defense for electronic transmission**
9 **of election materials.**

10 **(2) The Secretary of State shall adopt rules governing the procedures for receiving ballots**
11 **cast under this section.**

12 **SECTION 3. The Secretary of State may take any action before January 1, 2010, that is**
13 **necessary to ensure that the electronic voting system described in section 2 of this 2009 Act**
14 **is capable of receiving ballots cast electronically beginning on January 1, 2010.**

15 **SECTION 4. Section 2 of this 2009 Act becomes operative on January 1, 2010.**

16 **SECTION 5. This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
17 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect**
18 **on its passage.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.