

# Senate Bill 835

Sponsored by Senator FERRIOLI

## SUMMARY

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Prohibits opening of return identification and secrecy envelopes of ballots delivered by mail until 8 p.m. on date of election.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to ballot envelopes; amending ORS 254.478.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 254.478 is amended to read:

5 254.478. (1) [*Subject to ORS 260.705 and*] Not sooner than [*the seventh day before*] **8 p.m. on** the  
6 date of an election, the county clerk may:

7 (a) Begin opening return identification and secrecy envelopes of ballots delivered by mail and  
8 received by the county clerk; and

9 (b) In accordance with a security plan approved by the Secretary of State under ORS 254.074,  
10 begin scanning ballots into a vote tally system.

11 (2) The county clerk may take any other actions that are necessary to count ballots delivered  
12 by mail.

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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.