

Senate Bill 922

Sponsored by Senator 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**.

Requires out-of-state electors to submit to Secretary of State explanation for why elector needs ballot mailed to out-of-state address.

Requires, for each primary election and general election, secretary to make available on Internet number of ballots mailed to out-of-state electors and to certain additional electors temporarily living outside of United States.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to ballots mailed to an out-of-state address.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2017 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 253.

SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section:

(a) **"Military or overseas elector"** has the meaning given that term in ORS 253.510.

(b) **"Out-of-state elector":**

(A) Means an elector with a temporary or permanent mailing address outside this state;
and

(B) Does not include a military or overseas elector.

(2) In order to receive a ballot, an out-of-state elector must submit to the Secretary of State an explanation for why the elector needs the ballot to be mailed to an out-of-state address. The explanation shall be:

(a) On a form designed by rule by the Secretary of State; and

(b) Filed one time per calendar year.

(3) For each primary election and general election held in this state, the Secretary of State shall make available on the Internet the number of ballots mailed to:

(a) Out-of-state electors; and

(b) Military or overseas electors who:

(A) Apply for a ballot under ORS 253.540; and

(B) Indicate in the application that the elector qualifies as a military or overseas elector solely because the elector is temporarily living outside the territorial limits of the United States and the District of Columbia.

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.