



HB0131

Ballot drop boxes-prohibition.

Sponsored By: Representative(s) Knapp, Angelos, Neiman, Ottman, Rodriguez-Williams, Webb, Wharff and Winter and Senator(s) Hutchings, Ide, Kolb, Laursen, D and Steinmetz

AN ACT relating to elections; prohibiting the use of drop boxes for delivery of ballots as specified; and providing for an effective date.

1/8/2025 Bill Number Assigned
1/9/2025 H Received for Introduction
1/16/2025 H Introduced and Referred to H07 - Corporations
1/22/2025 H07 - Corporations:Recommend Amend and Do Pass 8-1-0-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Brown, Hoeft, Johnson, Knapp, Locke, Lucas, Webb, Webber

Nays: Representative Yin

Ayes 8 **Nays** 1 **Excused** 0 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

1/22/2025 H Placed on General File

HB0131HS001/ADOPTED

Page 1-line 13 After "mailed" insert "through the United States Postal Service"; after "to" strike "the" and insert "any".

Page 1-line 14 After "clerk" insert "within the county where the ballot was issued as provided in W.S. 22-3-104(h)(ii)".
KNAPP, CHAIRMAN

HB0131HW001/ADOPTED

Page 1-line 14 Delete the House standing committee amendment (HB0131HS001/A) to this line; after "county clerk," insert "election staff of the county clerk,". KNAPP

1/28/2025 H COW:Passed

HB0131H2001/FAILED

Page 1-above line 1 In the catch title, delete "prohibition" and insert "requirements".

Page 1-line 1 Delete "prohibiting" and insert "specifying requirements for".

Page 1-line 11 Before "Upon" insert "(a)".

Page 1-line 13 Delete "hand".

Page 1-line 14 Delete "No" and insert "Each"; after "county clerk" delete balance of line.

Page 2-line 1 Delete "official shall" and insert "may".

Page 2-line 2 After "ballots" delete balance of line.

Page 2-line 3 Delete line through "box." and insert "in accordance with the requirements of this subsection. If a county clerk establishes or uses a drop box in accordance with this subsection, the county clerk shall provide notice to the secretary of state of each drop box's location not later than forty-two (42) days before any primary and general election and shall ensure that ballots deposited in the drop box are collected and returned to the county clerk's office at least once during each business day.".

Page 2-line 5 After "ballots" delete balance of line.

Page 2-lines 6 through 9 Delete entirely and insert:

". If a county clerk establishes or uses a drop box in accordance with this section, the county clerk shall ensure the drop box:

(i) Is securely fastened to the ground or a concrete slab connected to the ground;

(ii) Is secured by a lock that can only be opened by the clerk or by a person designated by the clerk;

(iii) Complies with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and is accessible as determined by the county clerk;

(iv) Is under camera surveillance twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week. The county clerk shall keep the recordings of the camera surveillance for the same period of time that the county clerk is required to keep the ballots in the clerk's possession.". YIN

HB0131H2002/ADOPTED

Page 2-line 3 After "drop box." insert "If a ballot is improperly delivered to the county clerk in violation of this section, the clerk may provide notice to the qualified elector that the qualified elector's ballot is spoiled.". STORER

HB0131H2003/ADOPTED

Page 1-line 13 In the House standing committee amendment (HB0131HS001/A) to this line, delete "through the United States Postal Service". GERINGER

1/29/2025 H 2nd Reading:Passed

HB0131H3001/FAILED

Page 1-line 14 Before "No county" insert "Except in a special district election,". LARSEN, L

HB0131H3002/FAILED

Page 1-line 13 After "mailed" insert "through any carrier". YIN

HB0131H3003/FAILED

Page 1-line 13 Delete the Geringer second reading amendment (HB0131H2003/A) to this line; in the House standing committee amendment (HB0131HS001/A) to this line, after

"Service" insert ", except for any ballot mailed from overseas which may be mailed through any carrier,". YIN

1/30/2025 H 3rd Reading:Passed 51-10-1-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Allemand, Andrew, Angelos, Banks, Bear, Brady, Bratten, Brown, G, Brown, L, Byron, Campbell, K, Clouston, Connolly, Davis, Eklund, Erickson, Filer, Geringer, Guggenmos, Haroldson, Harshman, Heiner, Hoeft, Johnson, Kelly, Knapp, Larson, Lawley, Lien, Locke, Lucas, Mccann, Neiman, Ottman, Pendergraft, Rodriguez-Williams, Schmid, Singh, Smith, Strock, Styvar, Tarver, Thayer, Washut, Wasserburger, Webb, Webber, Wharff, Williams, Winter, Wylie

Nays: Representative(s) Campbell, E, Chestek, Jarvis, Larsen, Nicholas, Posey, Provenza, Sherwood, Storer, Yin

Excused: Representative Riggins

Ayes 51 **Nays** 10 **Excused** 1 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

1/31/2025 S Received for Introduction

2/10/2025 S Introduced and Referred to S07 - Corporations

2/19/2025 S07 - Corporations:Recommend Amend and Do Pass 3-2-0-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Senator(s) Boner, Dockstader, Steinmetz

Nays: Senator(s) Case, Landen

Ayes 3 **Nays** 2 **Excused** 0 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

2/19/2025 S Placed on General File

2/28/2025 S COW:S Did not consider for COW