

AMENDMENTS TO LB230

Introduced by Erdman, 47.

1 1. Strike original section 20 and insert the following new sections:

2 Sec. 3. Physically incapacitated, in reference to a voter, means a
3 handicap or a medical condition that prevents a registered voter from
4 voting in person at a polling place on the day of a statewide election
5 and that was diagnosed by a licensed physician no fewer than thirty days
6 prior to the date of such statewide election.

7 Sec. 20. Section 32-941, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
8 amended to read:

9 32-941 (1) Any registered voter who is physically incapacitated and
10 who is permitted to vote early pursuant to section 32-938 may register to
11 vote early by mail by completing an application provided by the Secretary
12 of State and submitting such application at least thirty days prior to
13 the date of a statewide election to the election commissioner or county
14 clerk in the county where the voter has established his or her home. Such
15 application shall expire on January 1 of the following year. The
16 application request shall include the voter's party affiliation for a
17 ballot for a primary election, a color copy of a qualifying photographic
18 identification, the voter's residence address, the address to which the
19 ballot is to be mailed if different, and the voter's telephone number if
20 available. The signature on the application and on the envelope used to
21 return the ballot for early voting must match the signature in the voter
22 registration record or the ballot shall be rejected. The voter shall be
23 informed that a color copy of the qualifying photographic identification
24 must be included with the ballot being returned unless the qualifying
25 photographic identification is shown in person to an election worker by
26 the voter voting the ballot when the ballot is returned to the election
27 office.

1 (2)(a) Any registered voter who is a member of the armed forces of
2 the United States or the Nebraska National Guard and who is permitted to
3 vote early pursuant to section 32-938 may, not more than one hundred
4 twenty days before any election and not later than the close of business
5 on the second Friday preceding the election, request a ballot for the
6 election to be mailed to a specific address. The A registered voter shall
7 request a ballot in writing to the election commissioner or county clerk
8 in the county where the registered voter has established his or her home
9 and shall indicate his or her residence address, the address to which the
10 ballot is to be mailed if different, and his or her telephone number if
11 available. The registered voter may use the form published by the
12 election commissioner or county clerk pursuant to section 32-808. The
13 registered voter shall sign the request. The A registered voter may use a
14 facsimile machine or electronic mail for the submission of a request for
15 a ballot.

16 (b) A voter who is a member of the armed forces of the United States
17 or the Nebraska National Guard shall submit a separate request for a
18 ballot for early voting for every election, except that if the voter will
19 be deployed for both a primary and subsequent general election, the
20 request for a ballot for early voting may cover both elections. In
21 addition to the requirements in subdivision (2)(a) of this section, the
22 request for a ballot for early voting shall include the voter's military
23 address, the voter's party affiliation for a ballot for a primary
24 election, a color copy of a qualifying photographic identification, and a
25 sworn oath that the voter is a member of the armed forces of the United
26 States or the Nebraska National Guard and qualifies to request a ballot
27 for early voting. The signature on the request and on the envelope used
28 to return the ballot for early voting must match the signature in the
29 voter registration record or the ballot shall be rejected. The voter
30 shall be informed that a color copy of the qualifying photographic
31 identification must be included with the ballot being returned and that

1 the voter's signature on the identification envelope must be notarized.

2 (c) The election commissioner or county clerk shall include a
3 registration application with the ballots if the person is not
4 registered. Registration applications shall not be mailed after the third
5 Friday preceding the election. If the person is not registered to vote,
6 the registration application shall be returned not later than the closing
7 of the polls on the day of the election. No ballot issued under this
8 subsection ~~section~~ shall be counted unless such registration application
9 is properly completed and processed.

10 2. On page 19, line 20; page 27, line 23; page 34, line 8; and page
11 39, line 24, strike "Tuesday" and insert "Thursday".

12 3. On page 20, strike beginning with "handicapped" in line 13
13 through the second comma in line 14 and insert "physically
14 incapacitated".

15 4. On page 27, line 11, strike "elderly or handicapped", show as
16 stricken, and insert "physically incapacitated".

17 5. On page 30, line 6, strike "and" and show as stricken; in line 8
18 strike the period, show as stricken, and insert "; and"; and after line 8
19 insert the following new subdivision:

20 "(e) I swear or affirm that I am physically incapacitated or a
21 member of the armed forces of the United States or Nebraska National
22 Guard and I cannot vote in person.".

23 6. Renumber the remaining sections and correct internal references
24 accordingly.