

HB 149 -- Advance Voting

Sponsor: Johnson (47)

Currently, absentee voting is permitted only for certain reasons, and applications for absentee ballots must be received by 5:00 p.m. on the Wednesday immediately prior to an election. This bill changes the terminology from "absentee" to "advance" voting, allows advance voting for any reason, and extends the application deadline for advance voting to 5:00 p.m. on the Friday immediately prior to an election. Election authorities are allowed to designate locations other than the election authorities' offices as additional sites to apply for and vote advance ballots in person.