House _____ **Amendment NO.**_____

Offered By

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1   AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 1739, in the Title, Lines 2 and 3, by
2   deleting the phrase "electronic signatures" and inserting in lieu thereof the phrase "elections"; and
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4   Further amend said bill, Page 3, Section 115.960, Line 84, by inserting after all of said section and
5   line the following:
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7   "115.1000. 1. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, all election authorities in this
8   state shall make available for all statewide elections, elections for the general assembly, or local
9   elections, at least one voting machine per polling location for use by blind or visually impaired
10 persons. For purposes of this section, each election authority shall be assumed to possess an
11 accessible voter machine for purposes of compliance with the Help America Vote Act, and such
12 machine shall be made available at state and local elections in the same manner as for federal
13 elections.

14   2. Any additional election costs for the maintenance and use of such machines during
15 statewide and general assembly elections shall be paid by the state and subject to appropriation.
16   3. Any qualified voter may cast a ballot using the accessible voting machine without
17 confirmation of blindness or visual impairment by an election authority, but the provisions of this
18 section shall not be interpreted to require that blind or visually impaired persons use an accessible
19 voting machine. Blind or visually impaired voters may continue to vote by absentee ballot as
20 provided by general law, or by any other legal method of voting with the assistance of election
21 judges, upon signing an affidavit, under section 115.445."; and
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23 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
24 accordingly.

Action Taken_____ Date _____