

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 333

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE KELLEY.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 115.295, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to absentee ballot verification.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 115.295, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 115.295, to read as follows:

115.295. 1. As each absentee ballot is received by the election authority, the election authority shall indicate its receipt on the list.

2. If the statements on any ballot envelope have not been completed, the absentee ballot in the envelope shall be rejected.

3. **The election authority shall compare the signature on the ballot envelope with the signature of the voter on the voter's registration record. If the signature is inconsistent with the voter's signature on the voter's registration record, the ballot shall be rejected.**

4. All ballot envelopes received by the election authority shall be kept together in a safe place and shall not be opened except as provided in this subchapter.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.