

Amendment to SB 418-FN

1 Amend RSA 659:23-a, I as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 I. For all elections, if a voter on election day is registering to vote for the first time in New  
4 Hampshire and does not have a valid photo identification establishing such voter's identification, or  
5 does not meet the identity requirements of RSA 659:13, then such voter shall vote by affidavit ballot  
6 pursuant to this section.

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8 Amend RSA 659:23-a, V as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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10 V. On the seventh day after the election, if an affidavit ballot voter has failed to return the  
11 verification letter with the missing voter qualifying documentation to the secretary of state, either in  
12 person or using the prepaid U.S. Postal Service Priority Mail Express Envelope, the secretary of  
13 state shall instruct the moderator of the town, city, ward, or district in which the affidavit ballot was  
14 cast to retrieve the associated numbered affidavit ballot and list on a tally sheet, by candidate or  
15 issue, the votes cast on that ballot. The counting of votes on affidavit ballots identified by the  
16 secretary of state as unqualified shall be conducted by the town, city, ward, or district using the  
17 same methods of counting and observation utilized on the day of the election for hand counted  
18 ballots. The votes cast on such unqualified affidavit ballots shall be deducted from the vote total for  
19 each affected candidate or each affected issue.

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21 Amend the bill by replacing section 7 with the following:

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23 7 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2023.