



ARIZONA STATE SENATE
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FACT SHEET FOR S.B. 1072

early voting centers; identification required

Purpose

Applies polling place voter identification (I.D.) requirements to on-site early voting locations and voting centers. Removes a county Board of Supervisors' ability to fully replace designated polling places with voting centers.

Background

Current statute states that, to receive a ballot at a polling place on election day, an elector must provide valid I.D. from one of two categories: 1) a valid form of I.D. that bears the photograph, name and address of the elector that reasonably appear to be the same as the name and address in the precinct register; or 2) two different items that contain the name and address of the elector that reasonably appear to be the same as the name and address in the precinct register. If I.D. from the first category does not include an address or match the address in the precinct register, another item from the second category must also be used ([A.R.S. § 16-579](#)).

Statute states that to receive an early ballot, an elector must provide their name, address, date of birth, state or country of birth or other information that if compared to the voter registration information on file would confirm the identity of the elector ([A.R.S. § 16-542](#)).

Statute allows a county recorder or other officer in charge of elections to establish on-site early voting locations at the county recorder's office or other locations if necessary. On-site early voting locations open the same day a county begins to send out early ballots. Early ballots may not be distributed more than 27 days before the election. On-site early voting locations close at 5:00 p.m. the Friday before the election ([A.R.S. § 16-542](#)).

Statute allows the Board of Supervisors of each county, in coordination and consultation with the county recorder, to establish voting centers in place of or in addition to designated polling places. A voting center allows any voter in that county to receive the appropriate ballot for that voter on election day and lawfully cast the ballot ([A.R.S. § 16-411](#)).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

Provisions

1. Requires a person to present and confirm I.D. at an on-site early voting location and a voting center in the same manner that is currently required at a polling place on the day of an election.

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2. Removes a county Board of Supervisors' ability to fully replace designated polling places with voting centers.
3. Makes technical changes.
4. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

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