

HB 466 -- Absentee Voting

Sponsor: Zimmerman

Currently, voters who are prevented for various reasons from going to the polls to vote on election day can vote by absentee ballot. This bill allows any registered voter who is eligible to vote in a particular election to do so by absentee ballot without being required to state the reason. Election authorities must deliver an absentee ballot to each registered voter for any election for statewide office, state representative, and state senator. Delivery of the ballot will be made in the same manner that absentee ballots are currently delivered. The application for an absentee ballot is waived when the election authority delivers absentee ballots, and voters registered by mail must provide an affidavit along with their absentee ballot unless they are exempt because of a disability or by federal law.