

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 1857, Page 40, Section 115.910, Line 23,
2 by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

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4 "115.1000. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all election authorities in this
5 state shall make available for all statewide elections, elections for the general assembly, or local
6 elections at least one voting machine per polling location for use by persons who are blind or
7 visually impaired. For purposes of this section, each election authority shall be assumed to possess
8 an accessible voter machine for purposes of compliance with the Help America Vote Act, and such
9 machine shall be made available at state and local elections in the same manner as for federal
10 elections.

11 2. Any additional election costs for the maintenance and use of such machines during
12 statewide and general assembly elections shall be paid by the state and subject to appropriation.

13 3. Any qualified voter may cast a ballot using the accessible voting machine without
14 confirmation of blindness or visual impairment by an election authority, but the provisions of this
15 section shall not be interpreted to require that blind or visually impaired persons use an accessible
16 voting machine. Upon signing an affidavit, blind or visually impaired voters may continue to vote
17 by absentee ballot as provided by general law or by any other legal method of voting with the
18 assistance of election judges, under section 115.445."; and

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20 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
21 accordingly.

Action Taken _____ Date _____