

~~(B) - (1) -- THE TIME FOR COMMENCEMENT OF THE CANVASS OF THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS BY THE SEVERAL LOCAL BOARDS IS AS FOLLOWS:~~

~~(i) -- AFTER ANY PRIMARY OR SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION, ANY TIME AFTER 4 P.M. ON THE WEDNESDAY FOLLOWING ELECTION DAY, AND~~

~~(ii) -- EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (iii) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, AFTER ANY GENERAL OR SPECIAL ELECTION, ANY TIME AFTER 4 P.M. ON THE SECOND FRIDAY FOLLOWING ELECTION DAY, AND~~

~~(iii) -- AFTER ANY GENERAL OR SPECIAL ELECTION, IN ANY WARD OR DISTRICT LISTED IN SECTION 27-9 (E) (5) WHERE NO BALLOTS HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO VOTERS AT LOCATIONS OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES OR WHERE ALL OF THE BALLOTS ISSUED HAVE BEEN RETURNED, ANY TIME AFTER 4 P.M. ON THE WEDNESDAY FOLLOWING ELECTION DAY.~~

~~(2) -- THE CANVASS OF THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS BY A LOCAL BOARD SHALL TAKE PLACE AT A TIME AND LOCATION ANNOUNCED BY THE BOARD AT LEAST 24 HOURS BEFORE THE CANVASS.~~

~~{ (2) } - (3) -- Each board of canvassers shall keep the ballots safe from tampering until the canvass is completed.~~

~~-(c) (1) -A- EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D), A ballot shall be considered as received timely provided:~~

~~(i) It has been received by the board prior to the closing of the polls on election day; or~~

~~(ii) 1. It was mailed before election day;~~

~~2. The United States postal service, or THE postal service of any other country, has provided verification of that fact by affixing a mark so indicating on the covering envelope; and~~

~~3. The board receives the ballot from the United States postal service not later than 4 p.m. on the Wednesday following election day.~~

~~(2) Any EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D), ANY ballot received after 4 p.m. on the Wednesday following election day THE DEADLINE ESTABLISHED IN THIS SUBSECTION may not be counted. -}~~

~~(C) - (1) -- IN A PRIMARY OR SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION A BALLOT SHALL BE CONSIDERED AS RECEIVED TIMELY PROVIDED.~~

~~(i) -- IT HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY THE BOARD PRIOR TO THE CLOSING OF THE POLLS ON ELECTION DAY, OR~~