

10-315.

(a) Every employer in the State shall permit any employee who [is] CLAIMS TO BE a registered voter in the State a period not to exceed 2 hours absence from work on election day in order to CAST A ~~vote~~ BALLOT if the employee does not have 2 hours of continuous off-duty during the time that the polls are open.

(b) The employer shall pay the employee for the 2 hours absence from work.

(c) (1) Each employee shall furnish to the employer proof that the employee has voted OR ATTEMPTED TO VOTE.

(2) The proof that an employee has voted OR ATTEMPTED TO VOTE shall be on a form prescribed by the State Board.

11-101.

(c) (1) "Canvass" means the entire process of vote tallying, vote tabulation, and vote verification or audit, culminating in the production and certification of the official election results.

(2) For absentee ballots, the "canvass" includes the opening of any envelope accompanying an absentee ballot and the assembly and review of absentee ballots in preparation for vote tallying.

(3) FOR PROVISIONAL BALLOTS, THE "CANVASS" INCLUDES THE REVIEW OF THE PROVISIONAL BALLOT APPLICATIONS DESCRIBED IN § 11-303 OF THIS TITLE AND THE ASSEMBLY AND REVIEW OF PROVISIONAL BALLOTS IN PREPARATION FOR VOTE TALLYING.

(f) (1) "Unofficial returns" means a vote tabulation reported on election night after the polls close.

(2) "Unofficial returns" does not include the absentee ballot count OR THE PROVISIONAL BALLOT COUNT.

11-303.

(a) Following an election, each local board shall meet at its designated counting center to canvass the provisional ballots [submitted] CAST in that election in accordance with the regulations and guidelines established by the State Board.

(b) A local board may not open an envelope of a provisional ballot until the local board has approved the [temporary certificate] PROVISIONAL BALLOT APPLICATION.

(c) The State Board shall adopt regulations to implement this section.

(d) (1) A local board may not reject a provisional ballot except by unanimous vote and in accordance with regulations of the State Board.

(2) The local board shall reject a provisional ballot if: