

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

3 SENATE BILL 329

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5 AS INTRODUCED

6 An Act relating to absentee ballots; establishing
7 alternative procedures for execution of certain
8 absentee ballot affidavits; amending 26 O.S. 2021,
9 Section 14-133, which relates to notification of
10 rejection; updating statutory language; requiring
11 opportunity to cure certain defective application or
12 affidavit; modifying certain notice requirement;
13 requiring Secretary of the State Election Board to
14 promulgate certain rules and procedures; repealing 26
15 O.S. 2021, Section 14-115.7, which relates to
16 applicable procedure for properly executing an
17 absentee ballot affidavit; providing for
18 codification; and providing an effective date.

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

20 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
21 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 14-115.8 of Title 26, unless
22 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23 A. A voter who requests an absentee ballot pursuant to Section
24 14-105 of Title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes may, in lieu of having
his or her signature notarized by a notary public as required by
Section 14-108 of Title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes, sign the
absentee ballot affidavit and attach a photocopy of a form of
identification described in subsection A of Section 7-114 of Title
26 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

1 B. A voter who requests an absentee ballot described pursuant
2 to Section 14-110.1 or Section 14-114 of Title 26 of the Oklahoma
3 Statutes may, in lieu of having his or her signature witnessed by
4 two witnesses, sign the absentee ballot affidavit and include a
5 photocopy of a form of identification described in subsection A of
6 Section 7-114 of Title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

7 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2021, Section 14-133, is
8 amended to read as follows:

9 Section 14-133. A. In the event a voter's application or
10 affidavit is rejected for any reason, the secretary of the county
11 election board shall immediately notify ~~said~~ the voter in writing by
12 mail or electronically of the rejection and the reason ~~therefor~~ for
13 the rejection, pursuant to the rules promulgated by the Secretary of
14 the State Election Board.

15 B. A voter receiving notice as described in subsection A of
16 this section shall be given the opportunity to cure the defective
17 application or affidavit pursuant to rules and procedures
18 promulgated by the Secretary of the State Election Board.

19 SECTION 3. REPEALER 26 O.S. 2021, Section 14-115.7, is
20 hereby repealed.

21 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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