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TITLE 230. STATE ELECTION BOARD CHAPTER 25. BALLOT PRINTING

RULEMAKING ACTION:

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

PROPOSED RULES:

Subchapter 21. Printer Certification for Digital Ballot Printing 230:25-21-4. On-site certification review [AMENDED]

SUMMARY:

Amendments to this rule, which establishes a process for commercial printers to be certified by the State Election Board to print digital ballots for the current voting system, eliminate the requirement that an on-site review be conducted by a member of the State Election Board's ballot generation staff. Following several years of conducting certifications of various commercial printers in Oklahoma and in surrounding states, the ballot experts on the State Election Board staff have concluded that site visits are not always necessary. While eliminating a site visit as a mandatory part of printer certification, the Secretary of the State Election Board may authorize the visit if either the ballot printing staff or the Secretary decides it is necessary. This will also allow for reimbursement by the printer to the State for the cost of any necessary travel-related expenses.

AUTHORITY:

Rulemaking authority is granted by Title 26 O.S., Section 2-107, to the Secretary of the State Election Board.

COMMENT PERIOD:

Persons may submit written comments through March 17, 2022 to Rachel Rogers at: Mailing Address: State Election Board, P. O. Box 53156, Oklahoma City, OK 73152.

Email: <u>rachel.rogers@elections.ok.gov</u>. Physical Address: Room G28, State Capitol Building, 2300 N. Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing has not been scheduled; however, pursuant to 75 O.S., Section 303(B)(9), "persons may demand a hearing" by writing Rachel Rogers at State Election Board, P. O. Box 53156, Oklahoma City, OK 73152 or by email at <u>rachel.rogers@elections.ok.gov</u> no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 17, 2022.

REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:

N/A

COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:

Copies of the proposed amendments are available in the office of the State Election Board, Room G28, State Capitol Building, Oklahoma City, and on the State Election Board website.

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:

Pursuant to 75 O.S., §303(D), a rule impact statement is being prepared and will be available for review after March 2, 2022 at the above addresses.

CONTACT PERSON:

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

N/A