HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chairman of Committee

February 4, 2013 Date

Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

<u>HB13-1135</u> be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on <u>Appropriations</u> with favorable recommendation:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 3, strike lines 2 through 14 and substitute:
- 2 "SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-2-205, amend (2)
 3 as follows:
- 4 1-2-205. Self-affirmation made by elector. (2) Each elector
 5 making application for registration shall MUST make the following
 6 self-affirmation: "I,, do solemnly affirm that:
- 7 ! I am a citizen of the United States; and that on the date of the
 8 next election I shall have attained the age of eighteen years and
 9 shall have resided in
- 10! I AM A RESIDENT OF the state of Colorado; at least thirty days11and in precinct no. at least thirty days before the election. I12further affirm that the present address I listed herein is my sole13legal place of residence and that I claim no other place as my14legal residence.
- 15! I AM AT LEAST SIXTEEN YEARS OLD AND UNDERSTAND THAT I16MUST BE EIGHTEEN YEARS OLD TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE; AND17! I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT I MEET THE REGISTRATION18QUALIFICATIONS AND THAT THE INFORMATION I HAVE
- PROVIDED ON THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY
 KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.".
 SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-2-213, amend (2)
- 22 (a) as follows:
- 1-2-213. Registration at driver's license examination facilities.
 (2) (a) An applicant who wishes to complete an application for

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1 registration shall MUST read and answer the questions required by section 2 1-2-204 and shall make a self-affirmation by signing the following 3 statement: "I,, do solemnly affirm that I am a citizen of the 4 United States and that on the date of the next election I shall have attained 5 the age of eighteen years and shall have resided in the state of Colorado 6 at least thirty days and in my precinct at least thirty days before the 7 election. I further affirm that the present address I listed herein is my sole 8 legal place of residence and that I claim no other place as my legal 9 residence." THE SELF-AFFIRMATION REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 1-2-205. 10 Each application for registration shall MUST bear the following statement: 11 "Warning: It is a class 1 misdemeanor to affirm falsely as to your 12 qualifications to register to vote.". 13 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-7.5-103, amend (5) 14 as follows: 15 1-7.5-103. Definitions. As used in this article, unless the context otherwise requires: 16 17 (5) "Mail ballot packet" means the packet of information provided 18 by the designated election official to eligible electors in the mail ballot 19 election AND TO PERSONS PREREGISTERED TO VOTE PURSUANT TO SECTION 20 1-2-101 (2) WHO WILL BE EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE ON THE DATE OF THE 21 MAIL BALLOT ELECTION. The packet includes the ballot, instructions for 22 completing the ballot, a secrecy envelope, and a return envelope. 23 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes. **amend** 1-8-102 as 24 follows: 25 1-8-102. When mail-in voters may vote. Any eligible elector OR 26 PERSON PREREGISTERED TO VOTE PURSUANT TO SECTION 1-2-101 (2) WHO 27 WILL BE EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE ON THE DATE OF THE ELECTION may vote 28 by mail-in ballot at any election under the regulations and in the manner 29 provided in this part 1. 30 **SECTION 7.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 1-8-202 as 31 follows: 32 **1-8-202. When eligible electors may vote by early ballot.** Early 33 voting shall be made available to any eligible elector in the manner 34 provided in this part 2 during regular business hours for ten days before 35 a primary election and a special legislative election and for fifteen days 36 before a general election or other November election conducted by the 37 county clerk and recorder. The board of county commissioners may by 38 resolution increase the hours that the early voters' polling place may be 39 open. Eligible electors OR PERSONS PREREGISTERED TO VOTE PURSUANT 40 TO SECTION 1-2-101 (2) WHO WILL BE EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE ON THE

41 DATE OF THE ELECTION who appear in person at the early voters' polling

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- 1 place during this time may cast their ballots in the same manner as any
- 2 ballot would be cast in a precinct polling place on election day.".
- 3 Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

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