

SB 5561 - H AMD **690**

By Representative Schindler

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The secretary of state shall study
4 the feasibility of allowing voter registration during the period
5 after the close of the registration up to and on election day. The
6 study shall include the following:

7 (a) A comparison of election day voter registration and vote-
8 by-mail as methods of increasing voter turn-out;

9 (b) Consideration of the anticipated change in the number of
10 individuals choosing to register to vote during this period and on
11 election day itself;

12 (b) An evaluation of the expected change in public perception
13 of the integrity of the election process;

14 (c) A summary of the support or concerns of each county
15 election official;

16 (d) An evaluation of and recommendations on the procedural
17 changes necessary to ensure there is no increase in voting by
18 individuals ineligible to vote;

19 (e) Recommendations regarding enforcement policy changes
20 necessary to guarantee that only eligible voters are voting; and

21 (f) Recommendations for policy changes necessary to increase
22 the integrity of the voter registration database regarding the
23 accuracy of registered voters' residential addresses and
24 eligibility to vote.

25 (2) The secretary of state shall report its findings and
26 recommendations to the appropriate committees of the house of
27 representatives and senate no later than December 1, 2008."
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Correct the title.

EFFECT: Strikes the underlying bill. Requires the Secretary of State to conduct a feasibility study on implementing late voter registration from the close of registration up to and on Election Day to be submitted to the House and Senate by December 1, 2008. The report must consider Election Day voter registration in comparison to vote-by-mail as a method of increasing voter turn out, the anticipated number of individuals registering to vote during this period, and policy recommendations to ensure the integrity of the voter registration database.