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Please add this additional comment to the rule making record.

Thanks.

Harvie Branscomb

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From Andrea Gyger's watermarked pre amended rules:

Amendments to Rules 7.2.5 through 7.2.7:

- 7.2.5 Effective January 1, 20152016, EACH mail ballot return envelope and mail ballot instruction must include a statement informing voters that it is a violation of law to drop off more than ten ballots RECEIVE MORE THAN TEN BALLOTS FOR MAILING OR DELIVERY in any election.
- 7.2.6 Effective January 1, 2015, each mail ballot return envelope must include the following: "For third party delivery: I am voluntarily giving my ballot to (name and address) for delivery. I have marked and sealed my ballot in private and have not allowed any person to observe the marking of the ballot, except for those authorized to assist voters under state or federal law."
- 7.2.6 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2016, EACH MAIL BALLOT RETURN ENVELOPE MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING: "I AM VOLUNTARILY GIVING MY BALLOT TO (NAME AND ADDRESS) FOR DELIVERY ON MY BEHALF."
- 7.2.7 A COUNTY MUST ISSUE A MAIL BALLOT TO ANY ELIGIBLE ELECTOR WHO REQUESTS ONE IN PERSON AT THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE BEGINNING 32 DAYS BEFORE AN ELECTION. [SECTION 1-7.5-107(2.7), C.R.S.]
- --> New proposed 7.2.8: A COUNTY MUST ISSUE A PAPER BALLOT PURSUANT TO CRS 1-7-304 OR CRS 1-7-503 TO ANY ELIGIBLE ELECTOR WHO REQUESTS ONE IN PERSON AT A VSPC.

Commentary: Rule 7.2.7 is appropriate but reminds that some counties fail to issue a paper ballot to in-person voters other than a mail ballot with the required envelope and eligibility check by potentially fallible signature verification. It is the (incorrectly labeled "flat ballot") paper ballot voted in person without attached identifying envelope that demonstrates anonymity to the voter and should be an option at every in person voting location as instructed by lawin CRS 1-7. Harvie Branscomb 7/13/2015