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Statement of Justification and Reasons for Adoption of Temporary Rules

Office of the Secretary of State **Election Rules** 8 CCR 1505-1

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New Rules 2.3.2(a)(4), 2.19, and 7.17

In accordance with Colorado election law, the Secretary of State finds that certain amendments to the existing election rules must be adopted and effective immediately to ensure the uniform and proper administration and enforcement of Colorado election laws.

Temporary adoption is necessary both to comply with law and to preserve the public welfare given the close proximity of the mail ballot plan deadline; August 8, 2018. The Secretary of State must adopt rules to provide clear guidance the county clerks concerning acceptable identification, voter registration at county jails, and ballot transmission to county jails and detention facilities.

For these reasons, and in accordance with the State Administrative Procedure Act, the Secretary of State finds that adoption and immediate effect of the amendments to existing election rules is imperatively necessary to comply with state and federal law and to promote public interests.²

¹ Sections 1-1-107 (1) (c), 1-1-107(2) (a), 1-7.4-104, C.R.S. (2017).

² Section 24-4-103(3) (6), C.R.S. (2017).