

# SB1272



## 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2023 and 2024

SB1272

Introduced 2/3/2023, by Sen. Jil Tracy

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/19-25 new

Amends the Election Code. Requires the State Board of Elections, in conjunction with election authorities, to implement a secure, free access system available to voters by January 1, 2024. Provides that the system shall allow a voter to track receipt of the voter's vote by mail ballot and check the ballot's status with the election authority. Requires the election authority to make the system available to vote by mail voters from the first day that vote by mail ballots are accepted until 30 days after completion of the official canvass. Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning elections.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by adding Section  
5 19-25 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/19-25 new)

7 Sec. 19-25. Vote by mail tracking. In conjunction with  
8 election authorities, the State Board of Elections shall  
9 implement by January 1, 2024 a secure, free access system  
10 available to voters in each election authority that allows  
11 each vote by mail voter to:

12 (1) track the delivery and receipt of the voter's vote  
13 by mail ballot by the election authority; and

14 (2) learn if the voter's vote by mail ballot was  
15 accepted for counting and, if not, the reason why the  
16 ballot was rejected.

17 For each election, the election authority shall make the  
18 secure, free access system available to vote by mail voters  
19 from the first day that vote by mail ballots are accepted until  
20 30 days after completion of the official canvass.

21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
22 becoming law.