

1 **SECTION 3.** All registered voters in the jurisdiction shall be mailed a ballot
2 by nonforwardable United States Postal Service mail. In order to vote, the voter shall
3 mark the ballot and return it in the postage prepaid envelope or drop it in a locked ballot
4 box at the office of the town clerk or at the office of the county board of elections or at
5 any other location provided by the county board of elections. Ballots must be received
6 by 7:30 P.M. on the date of the election or referendum in order to be counted. The State
7 Board of Elections shall adopt policies and procedures for elections or referenda held
8 under this section. In addition to any other matters, those policies and procedures shall
9 govern: (i) absentee voting and (ii) reports of address changes within the county
10 received after the close of registration for the election that could have been processed on
11 election day to make the voter eligible to vote if the election or referendum were not
12 conducted by mail. No regular polling place shall be open on the day of the election or
13 referendum. The State Board of Elections shall report to the General Assembly its
14 policies and procedures immediately upon their adoption. Adoption and publication of
15 such policies and procedures is not subject to Chapter 150B of the General Statutes.

16 **SECTION 4.** The State Board of Elections shall report to the General
17 Assembly on the implementation of this act.

18 **SECTION 5.** This act is effective when it becomes law.