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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations Reform, Technology and Elections

A bill for an act

relating to elections; requiring application for a waiver allowing certain overseas absentee ballots to be counted. 1.3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA: 1.4 Section 1. **OVERSEAS VOTING WAIVER.** 1.5 Within 90 days after this section becomes effective, the secretary of state shall apply 1.6 to the United States Secretary of Defense for a waiver allowing all overseas absentee 1.7 ballots cast before midnight on election day to be counted as valid votes if they are valid 1.8 in all other regards and are received before the meeting of the canvassing board. If such a 1.9 waiver is granted, those votes must be counted, other laws to the contrary notwithstanding. 1.10 Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** 1.11

Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 2. 1