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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 23

REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS TO REVIEW PRACTICES IN DELAWARE AND OTHER STATES AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO VERIFYING SIGNATURES ON ABSENTEE BALLOTS.

- 1 WHEREAS, a person's right to vote is a fundamental constitutional right; and
- 2 WHEREAS, across the country questions have arisen as to how to best protect the integrity of elections; and
- 3 WHEREAS, every legal vote must be counted; and
- 4 WHEREAS, no illegal vote should be counted; and
- 5 WHEREAS, absentee voting by its very nature may be susceptible to persons other than the designated voter
- 6 casting a fraudulent ballot; and
- 7 WHEREAS, every reasonable effort should be expended to ensure an absentee ballot is cast by the designated
- 8 legal voter.
- 9 NOW, THEREFORE:
- 10 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 151st General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the
- 11 Senate concurring therein, that on or before January 31, 2022, the Department of Elections shall:
- 12 (1) review practices in Delaware and other states and make recommendations for verifying signatures on absentee
- 13 ballots; and
- 14 (2) report to the Governor and the members of the General Assembly on the recommendations proposed under
- 15 paragraph (1) of this resolution.

SYNOPSIS

This Resolution requires the Department of Elections to review practices in Delaware and other states and make recommendations relating to verifying signatures on absentee ballots.