

SB 5561 - H AMD TO H AMD 595 (5561 AMH GREE KERR 085) **669**
By Representative Schindler

1 Beginning on page 1, at the beginning of line 3 of the
2 amendment, strike all material through "2008." on page 6, line 37,
3 and insert the following:

4 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The secretary of state shall study
5 the feasibility of allowing voter registration during the period
6 after the close of the registration up to and on election day. The
7 study shall include the following:

8 (a) A comparison of election day voter registration and vote-
9 by-mail as methods of increasing voter turn-out;

10 (b) Consideration of the anticipated change in the number of
11 individuals choosing to register to vote during this period and on
12 election day itself;

13 (b) An evaluation of the expected change in public perception
14 of the integrity of the election process;

15 (c) A summary of the support or concerns of each county
16 election official;

17 (d) An evaluation of and recommendations on the procedural
18 changes necessary to ensure there is no increase in voting by
19 individuals ineligible to vote;

20 (e) Recommendations regarding enforcement policy changes
21 necessary to guarantee that only eligible voters are voting; and

22 (f) Recommendations for policy changes necessary to increase
23 the integrity of the voter registration database regarding the
24 accuracy of registered voters' residential addresses and
25 eligibility to vote.

26 (2) The secretary of state shall report its findings and
27 recommendations to the appropriate committees of the house of
28 representatives and senate no later than December 1, 2008."
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EFFECT: Strikes the underlying amendment. Requires the Secretary of State to conduct a feasibility study on implementing late voter registration from the close of registration up to and on Election Day to be submitted to the House and Senate by December 1, 2008. The report must consider Election Day voter registration in comparison to vote-by-mail as a method of increasing voter turn out, the anticipated number of individuals registering to vote during this period, and policy recommendations to ensure the integrity of the voter registration database.