AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 163
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 2, in lines 11, 12, 15, 17, 30, and 31, in each instance, strike the bracket; in line 16, strike “VOTE”; in line 28, strike the first set of brackets; and in line 30, strike “the absentee ballot count or”.

On page 3, strike beginning with “AFTER” in line 12 down through “SECTION” in line 13 and substitute “PROMPTLY AFTER RECEIPT OF AN ABSENTEE BALLOT”; in line 16, after “SUBSECTION” insert “AND EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (A)(2) OF THIS SECTION”; and in line 17, strike “envelope of an”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 3, in line 23, strike “RELEASE” and substitute “TABULATE”; and in the same line, after “BEFORE” insert “THE POLLS CLOSE ON”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 4, in line 24, strike “MOBILE TELEPHONE OR”; in the same line, after “E–MAIL” insert “OR, BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2023, MOBILE TELEPHONE.”; strike beginning with “TEXT” in line 30 down through “B.” in line 31; and in line 32, strike “C.” and substitute “B.”.

On pages 4 and 5, strike beginning with “AN” in line 32 on page 4 down through “D.” in line 1 on page 5.

On page 5, in line 1, strike “AND”; in line 2, strike “E.” and substitute “C.”; and in the same line, after “OFFICE” insert “; AND”
D. BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2023, TEXT MESSAGE AND AN ACCESSIBLE ONLINE PORTAL”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 5, strike in their entirety lines 3 through 7, inclusive; in lines 8 and 10, strike “(6)” and “(7)”, respectively, and substitute “(5)” and “(6)”, respectively; in line 25, after “application;” insert “OR”; and strike beginning with the first “the” in line 26 down through “(iv)” in line 27.

On page 6, strike in their entirety lines 13 through 28, inclusive, and substitute:

“IIF A LOCAL BOARD RECEIVES MORE THAN ONE BALLOT, IN SEPARATE ENVELOPES, FROM THE SAME INDIVIDUAL, THE LOCAL BOARD SHALL:

(1) COUNT THE FIRST BALLOT FROM THE INDIVIDUAL THAT IS DETERMINED TO BE LEGALLY SUFFICIENT; AND

(2) REJECT ANY OTHER BALLOT.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 7, in line 10, after “under” insert “SUBSECTION (A) OF”; after line 24, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding § 11–302(b)(3) of the Election Law Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act, only during the 2022 statewide primary election, a local board or an employee of a local board:

(1) may tabulate absentee ballot vote totals before the polls close on election day; and

...
(2) may not release absentee ballot vote totals before the polls close on election day.”;

and in line 25, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”.