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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2020

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RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CONDUCT OF ELECTION AND VOTING EQUIPMENT,
AND SUPPLIES

Introduced By: Representatives Slater, and Diaz

Date Introduced: February 26, 2020

Referred To: House Judiciary

(Board of Elections)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 17-19-30 of the General Laws in Chapter 17-19 entitled "Conduct of
2 Election and Voting Equipment, and Supplies" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **17-19-30. Voters who register by making a mark rather than signature.**

4 Any voter who has registered by making his or her mark rather than his or her signature,
5 or who shall be physically unable to sign his or her name at the time of offering himself or herself
6 to vote, shall identify himself or herself with proof of identity as required under § 17-19-24.2. ~~They~~
7 The election officials shall permit the voter to affix the voter's mark on the electronic pollbook in
8 their presence and shall record their approval on the electronic pollbook as in other cases.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would modify language to specify that election officials shall permit the voter
- 2 to affix their mark at the polling place.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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