



STATE ELECTION BOARD

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

Revisions to Subject 183-1-11-.01 Ballot Secrecy

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Georgia State Election Board ("State Election Board" or "Board") proposes the attached amendment to Rule 183-1-11-.01 (Ballot Secrecy).

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed new rules and a synopsis of the proposed rules, is being distributed to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on a distribution list. A copy of this notice, an exact copy of the proposed rule amendments, and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendments may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except official state holidays, at the Office of the State Election Board 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, S.E., West Tower, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. These documents will also be available for review on the State Election Board's web page at: <https://sos.ga.gov/page/proposed-state-election-board-rules-and-rule-amendments>. Copies may also be requested by contacting the State Election Board at: electionboard@seb.ga.gov

To provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed rule amendments, a public hearing will be held on the nineteenth day of the August meeting of State Election Board, **Wednesday, August 19, 2026, at 9:30 A.M.** Following the public comment period, the Board will take a vote on whether to adopt the proposed rule amendment. The meeting will take place in Fayette County Administration Building Board of Commissioners Meeting Room 140 Stonewall Avenue, Suite 100, Fayetteville, Georgia 30214. Additional information will be available on the State Election Board's webpage at: <https://sos.ga.gov/page/state-election-board-meetings-events>

PUBLIC COMMENT: Members of the public may speak before the Board on matters related to the proposed rule. The public will have the opportunity to speak before the Board prior to the Board taking into consideration the proposed rule and will be limited to 2 minutes per speaker. Speakers will not be allowed to transfer their time to another individual. Public comment signup will be available before the start of the meeting. Additional comments may be given using the following means and must be received by noon on August 18, 2026, to be considered by the State Election Board:

Electronically by emailing PublicComment@seb.ga.gov

By mailing comments to:

State Election Board c/o Sherri Phillips
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE
West Tower Suite 802
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

This notice is given in compliance with O.C.G.A. §50-13-4. This 17th day of July 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Fervier", with a stylized flourish at the end.

John Fervier
Chair, State Election Board

Posted: August 17, 2026