STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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In the May 2020 primary, many voters who requested absentee ballots subsequently requested that their county clerk provide them with a different party ballot. Some county clerks allowed this, creating additional administrative and direct costs associated with spoiling the already-sent ballot and issuing a new one. This legislation would clarify that when voters request a particular type of absentee ballot for a primary election, they can only request the issuance of a new ballot of the same type they originally requested.

FISCAL NOTE

Reducing the number of absentee ballots that county clerks re-issue will have a small positive fiscal impact on counties.

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