

Whereas ranked ballots allow voters to rank their selections for each office in order of preference, and the voter's vote goes to their next selected preference should their higher preference candidate be eliminated; and

Whereas ranked balloting folds smoothly with Chicago's municipal runoff election format;

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Chicago:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are expressly incorporated in and made a part of this ordinance as though fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2. Title 1 of the Municipal Code of the City of Chicago is hereby amended by adding new Chapter 1-17.

Chapter 1-17

Overseas and Military Absentee Voting in Chicago Municipal Elections 1-17-

010 Administrative Ability

Within 30 days of the adoption of this section The Board of Election Commissioners for the City of Chicago, in compliance with 10 ILCS 5/16-5.01(c), shall submit a written statement to the City Clerk attesting to its administrative ability to administer ranked ballot voting for overseas and military absentee voters in consolidated primary elections.

1-17-020 Definitions

All terms used in this Chapter shall be defined as they are in 10 ILCS 5 et. al.

1-17-030 Ranked Voting for Overseas Absentee Voters and Military Absentee Voters

Pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/16-5.01(c), and consistent with the rules promulgated by the Illinois State Board of Elections, the City of Chicago hereby enacts ranked ballots in consolidated primary elections for voters who are otherwise eligible to vote as an overseas absentee voter or military absentee voter.