

NOTICE TO VOTERS OF HUNTERDON COUNTY

CHANGE IN MAIL-IN BALLOT BEARER LAW

- 1) **What is a Bearer?** A Bearer is a person who is transporting a voted Mail-in Ballot for someone other than themselves. This includes both hand-delivered and mailed ballots.
- 2) **What does a Bearer do?** A Bearer mails or transports a voted Mail-In Ballot on behalf of another voter. The Bearer **MUST SIGN** the Bearer Portion of the Outer Envelope in the presence of the voter when taking custody of the ballot. If the Bearer is hand-delivering the ballot, then he/she **MUST ALSO SIGN** the Bearer Book.
- 3) **Bearers are limited to THREE (3) ballots per Election in addition to their own, except in the case of immediate family members who live together. A Bearer may transport ballots for up to FIVE (5) voters who are immediate family members residing in the same household.** The Board of Elections must **REJECT** Bearer Ballots that exceed the bearer limit. *Per P.L. 2020 Ch. 71*
- 4) **Anyone who hand-delivers a ballot(s) MUST SHOW ID!** The Identifying Document must have the person's NAME, ADDRESS, and SIGNATURE. A New Jersey Driver's License works best. The Board of Elections must **REJECT** any ballots hand-delivered by a Bearer or Voter who does not show identification.
- 5) **Bearers and Voters Hand-Delivering Ballots who DO NOT PRESENT A VALID ID** at the time of delivery have until the Close of Polls on Election Day to return to the Board of Elections Office and present qualifying identification.

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