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**Abstract:** Provides for the method of determining voter intent in marking a paper ballot.

<u>Present law</u> requires a paper ballot to be marked in conformity with the instructions provided on such ballot. Requires rejection of a ballot that has marks or features that make it susceptible to identification.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that a paper ballot not marked in conformity with the law shall not be rejected if the intent of the voter can be determined.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the voter's intent may be determined by a distinguishing mark adjacent to a choice, an oval or similar marking clearly drawn around a choice, a line drawn through the choices not favored, or any other evidence that clearly indicates the intent of the voter.

(Amends R.S. 18:1316)