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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

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RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CANVASSING THE LISTS OF QUALIFIED ELECTORS

Introduced By: Representatives Baginski, Potter, and Fenton-Fung

Date Introduced: February 09, 2022

Referred To: House State Government & Elections

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Section 17-10-6 of the General Laws in Chapter 17-10 entitled "Canvassing  
2 the Lists of Qualified Electors" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3           **17-10-6. Evidence given at final canvass.**

4           Any qualified elector shall have the right to appear before the local board on the date set  
5 for final canvass and give evidence concerning the correctness of the preliminary registration list.  
6 Upon the basis of all the evidence, the local board shall make any further corrections in the  
7 registration records that it may find necessary. A stenographic record [or electronic audio recording](#)  
8 shall be taken at the proceedings and maintained as a permanent record of the board of canvassers.

9           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1           This act would allow audio recordings to be taken at the local boards of canvassers'
- 2           proceedings and be maintained as a permanent record of the board.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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