Page 5, line 13, strike “this Act” and insert “this Act or any amendment made by this Act”.

Add at the end the following:

SEC. 6. RULES FOR TREATMENT OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS.

(a) In General.—Title III of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21081 et seq.) is amended by inserting after section 303 the following new section:

“SEC. 303A. RULES FOR TREATMENT OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS.

“(a) Methods for Requesting Ballot.—In addition to such other methods as the State may establish for an individual to request an absentee ballot, the State shall permit an individual to submit a request for an absentee ballot through the Internet or mobile application and by telephone. The State shall be considered to meet the requirements of this paragraph if the website of the appropriate State or local election official allows an absentee ballot request application to be completed and submitted online and if the website permits the individual—
“(1) to print the application so that the individual may complete the application and return it to the official; or

“(2) to request that a paper copy of the application be transmitted to the individual by mail or electronic mail so that the individual may complete the application and return it to the official.

“(b) METHODS FOR RETURNING BALLOTS.—In addition to permitting an individual to whom an absentee ballot in an election was provided to return the ballot to an election official by mail, the State shall permit the individual to cast the ballot by delivering the ballot at such times and to such locations as the State may establish, including—

“(1) permitting the individual to deliver the ballot to a polling place on any date on which voting in the election is held at the polling place; and

“(2) permitting the individual to deliver the ballot to a designated ballot drop-off location.

“(c) DEADLINE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF BALLOTS.—A State may not refuse to accept or process an absentee ballot submitted by an individual by mail with respect to an election for Federal office in the State on the grounds that the individual did not meet a deadline for returning the ballot to the appropriate State or local election official if—
“(1) the ballot is postmarked, signed, or otherwise indicated by the United States Postal Service to have been mailed on or before the date of the election; and

“(2) the ballot is received by the appropriate election official prior to the expiration of the 10-day period (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal public holidays) which begins on the date of the election.”.

(b) Conforming Amendment Relating to Enforcement.—Section 401 of such Act (52 U.S.C. 21111) is amended by striking “and 303” and inserting “303, and 303A”.

(e) Clerical Amendment.—The table of contents of such Act is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 303 the following new item:

“Sec. 303A. Rules for treatment of absentee ballots.”.