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LEGISLATIVE ACTION ALERT

EXTREMELY IMPORTANT

Your mail-in ballot will not be counted unless you put it in the secret envelope after filling it out, seal it, then put it in the mailing envelope.

Pennsylvania’s naked ballot problem, explained



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If you’re voting by mail in Pennsylvania this year, and you want your vote to actually count, you need to remember one critical thing **“the secrecy envelope”**.

Once you fill out the ballot itself, **you must place it inside the provided**

secrecy envelope, which contains no information about your identity. Then you put the **sealed** secrecy envelope inside a different postage-paid addressed return envelope, **on which you have to sign your name and write your address.**

If you forget the secrecy envelope — simply dropping your ballot in the ordinary return envelope — **your ballot will be deemed a “naked ballot.”** And, according to a recent Pennsylvania Supreme Court ruling, **election officials will have to throw it out.**

