

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

April 9, 2026
Date

Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB26-1113 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend reengrossed bill, page 4, line 3, strike "(49.3)(c), and (49.9);" and
2 substitute "(49.9), and (51);".

3 Page 5, strike lines 10 through 16.

4 Page 5, after line 21 insert:

5 "(51) "Watcher" means an eligible elector other than a candidate
6 on the ballot who has been selected by a political party chairperson on
7 behalf of the political party; by a party candidate at a primary election, by
8 an unaffiliated candidate at a general, congressional vacancy, or
9 nonpartisan election; or by a person designated by either the opponents
10 or the proponents in the case of a ballot issue or ballot question.
11 "Watcher" also means an eligible elector selected by a candidate on the
12 ballot for the office of United States senator, representative in congress,
13 any state office or district office of state concern, or any county office
14 who is subject to a recount. If selected by a political party chairperson or
15 a party candidate, the watcher must be affiliated with that political party
16 or unaffiliated as shown in the statewide voter registration system. If
17 selected by an unaffiliated candidate, the watcher must be unaffiliated as
18 shown in the statewide voter registration system. A PERSON SHALL NOT BE
19 SELECTED AS A WATCHER IF THE PERSON HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF ANY
20 ELECTION OFFENSE SPECIFIED IN ARTICLE 13 OF THIS TITLE 1 OR ANY
21 SIMILAR ELECTION OFFENSE IN ANOTHER STATE OR HAS BEEN CONVICTED
22 OF COMMITTING OR CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT SEDITION, INSURRECTION,
23 TREASON, CONSPIRACY TO OVERTHROW GOVERNMENT BY USE OF
24 PHYSICAL FORCE OR VIOLENCE, OR ANY SIMILAR FEDERAL OFFENSE."

25 Page 5, strike lines 22 through 27.

1 Strike page 6.

2 Page 7, strike lines 1 and 2.

3 Page 7, after line 2 insert:

4 "SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-1-107, add (2)(e)
5 as follows:

6 **1-1-107. Powers and duties of secretary of state - penalty.**

7 (2) In addition to any other powers prescribed by law, the
8 secretary of state has the following powers:

9 (e) (I) To, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE GOVERNOR AND, AS
10 PRACTICABLE, THE ELECTION EMERGENCY ADVISORY GROUP ESTABLISHED
11 IN SUBSECTION (2)(e)(II) OF THIS SECTION, ADOPT RULES AS NECESSARY
12 FOR THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF AN ELECTION AND TO GIVE EFFECT
13 TO SECTION 1-1-103 (1), IF THE GOVERNOR DECLARES A DISASTER
14 EMERGENCY PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-33.5-704 (4) DUE TO THE
15 INABILITY TO STRICTLY COMPLY WITH THIS CODE, INCLUDING THE
16 SUSPENSION OF ANY LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-33.5-704 (7)(a).

17 (II) IF THE GOVERNOR DECLARES A DISASTER EMERGENCY
18 PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-33.5-704 (4) DUE TO INABILITY TO STRICTLY
19 COMPLY WITH THIS CODE, THE GOVERNOR SHALL ESTABLISH THE ELECTION
20 EMERGENCY ADVISORY GROUP. THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND GOVERNOR
21 SHALL CONSULT AS PRACTICABLE WITH THE ELECTION EMERGENCY
22 ADVISORY GROUP ON EMERGENCY ORDERS OR RULES THAT THE
23 SECRETARY OF STATE MAY ADOPT AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO ENSURE THE
24 PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF AN ELECTION AND TO GIVE EFFECT TO
25 SECTION 1-1-103 (1).

26 (III) THE ELECTION EMERGENCY ADVISORY GROUP CONSISTS OF SIX
27 MEMBERS APPOINTED AS FOLLOWS:

28 (A) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE,
29 APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR;

30 (B) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S
31 OFFICE, APPOINTED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE;

32 (C) TWO CURRENT OR FORMER COUNTY CLERKS FROM DIFFERENT
33 MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES, APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR IN
34 CONSULTATION WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE; AND

35 (D) TWO INDIVIDUALS FROM DIFFERENT MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES,
36 WITH EXPERTISE ON STATE OR FEDERAL ELECTION LAW, ADMINISTERING
37 ELECTIONS, VOTING, OR ANOTHER RELEVANT TOPIC, APPOINTED BY THE
38 GOVERNOR IN CONSULTATION WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

39 (IV) THIS SUBSECTION (2)(e) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 31,
40 2031."

- 1 Page 7, strike lines 18 through 27.
- 2 Page 8, strike lines 1 through 9.
- 3 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.
- 4 Page 12, line 6, strike "THE" and substitute "BEGINNING JANUARY 1,
5 2027, THE".
- 6 Page 12, lines 7 and 8, strike "WILL BE EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE ON OR
7 BEFORE THE NEXT ELECTION" and substitute "IS SEVENTEEN YEARS AND
8 SIX MONTHS OLD".
- 9 Page 12, line 11, strike "AT ANY TIME DURING THE".
- 10 Page 12, strike line 12 and substitute "IF THE PREREGISTRANT PROVIDES
11 THEIR NAME, ZIP CODE, DATE OF BIRTH, AND EITHER THE LAST FOUR DIGITS
12 OF THEIR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OR THEIR DRIVER'S LICENSE OR
13 STATE-ISSUED IDENTIFICATION NUMBER."
- 14 Page 16, after line 8, insert:
- 15 **"SECTION 12.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 1-2-603 as
16 follows:
- 17 **1-2-603. Notification that elector has moved and registered in**
18 **different county.**
- 19 (1) If the elector registers to vote in another county, the county
20 clerk and recorder of the elector's new county of residence shall transfer
21 the elector's registration record from the old county ~~in accordance with~~
22 ~~the following requirements:~~ IF THE ELECTOR PROVIDES A NAME AND AT
23 LEAST TWO OF THE FOLLOWING IDENTIFIERS THAT MATCH THE ELECTOR'S
24 PRIOR REGISTRATION RECORD: DATE OF BIRTH, PRIOR RESIDENCE, DRIVER'S
25 LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD NUMBER, OR LAST FOUR DIGITS OF
26 SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER.
- 27 (a) ~~If the elector provides a name, date of birth, and prior address~~
28 ~~and the county clerk and recorder can match the name, date of birth, and~~
29 ~~prior address to the elector's prior registration record, the elector's~~
30 ~~registration record shall be transferred from the old county.~~
- 31 (b) ~~If the elector provides a name and date of birth but does not~~
32 ~~provide a prior address, the elector's registration record shall be~~
33 ~~transferred from the old county only if:~~
- 34 (I) ~~The elector provides a driver's license or identification card~~
35 ~~number, and the county clerk and recorder of the new county of residence~~

1 ~~can match the name, date of birth, and driver's license or identification~~
2 ~~card number to the elector's prior registration record; or~~

3 ~~(II) The elector provides a social security number, and the county~~
4 ~~clerk and recorder of the new county of residence can match the name,~~
5 ~~date of birth, and social security number to the elector's prior registration~~
6 ~~record.~~

7 ~~(c) If the elector does not provide a prior address, driver's license~~
8 ~~number, or social security number, the registration record shall not be~~
9 ~~transferred from the old county unless the elector submits additional~~
10 ~~information that complies with the requirements of this subsection (1).~~
11 The county clerk and recorder of the county of prior residence may send
12 notice to the elector by forwardable mail to the elector's address of record.
13 Any such notice shall have a returnable portion that has the return postage
14 prepaid and is preaddressed to the sending county clerk and recorder, and
15 shall include an area for the elector to indicate if the elector has moved
16 to another county and wishes to have ~~his or her~~ registration record
17 transferred from the old county.

18 (2) If a county clerk and recorder receives a notice from the
19 secretary of state or from an election official in another state that the
20 elector has registered to vote in another state, the county clerk and
21 recorder of the county of prior residence shall cancel the registration
22 record if the name and ~~birth date or the name and social security number~~
23 ~~of the elector match.~~ AND AT LEAST TWO OF THE FOLLOWING IDENTIFIERS
24 MATCH: DATE OF BIRTH, PRIOR RESIDENCE, DRIVER'S LICENSE OR
25 IDENTIFICATION CARD NUMBER, OR LAST FOUR DIGITS OF SOCIAL SECURITY
26 NUMBER.

27 **SECTION 13.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-2-604, **amend**
28 (3)(a) as follows:

29 **1-2-604. Cancellation of electors with multiple registrations.**

30 (3) (a) The county clerk and recorder may not cancel the
31 registration record pursuant to subsection (1) of this section unless there
32 is a match in the county's registration records and the statewide voter
33 registration database with respect to, at a minimum, the ~~following types~~
34 ~~of identifying information:~~ ELECTOR'S NAME AND AT LEAST TWO OF THE
35 FOLLOWING IDENTIFIERS: DATE OF BIRTH, PRIOR RESIDENCE, DRIVER'S
36 LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD NUMBER, OR LAST FOUR DIGITS OF
37 SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER.

38 ~~(I) The elector's name, date of birth, and prior residence; or~~

39 ~~(II) The elector's name, date of birth, and driver's license number~~
40 ~~or social security number."~~

41 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

1 Page 18, line 19, strike "(2)" and substitute "(2); and **add (3)**".

2 Page 19, after line 14, insert:

3 "(3) (a) ANY VACANCY IN NOMINATION WHICH OCCURS AFTER THE
4 DATE OF THE CONVENTION OR COMMITTEE DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION
5 SHALL BE FILLED BY THE PARTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARTY RULES.

6 (b) WHEN A VACANCY IN A PARTY NOMINATION IS FILLED PRIOR TO
7 THE BALLOTS BEING PRINTED, THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL DIRECT
8 EACH COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER TO PRINT THE NAME OF THE
9 REPLACEMENT CANDIDATE ON THE BALLOT.

10 (c) WHEN A VACANCY IN A PARTY NOMINATION IS FILLED
11 SUBSEQUENT TO THE BALLOTS BEING PRINTED, THE SECRETARY OF STATE
12 SHALL DIRECT EACH COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER TO:

13 (I) PROMINENTLY POST, ON THE DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL'S
14 WEBSITE AND IN EACH VOTER SERVICE AND POLLING CENTER, A NOTICE OF
15 THE VACANCY AND THE NAME OF THE REPLACEMENT CANDIDATE; AND

16 (II) EITHER PRINT AND PLACE ON THE SAMPLE BALLOT, WHICH IS
17 DELIVERED TO THE ELECTION JUDGES AND POSTED PURSUANT TO SECTION
18 1-5-413, A STICKER OF A DIFFERENT COLOR THAN THE SAMPLE BALLOT
19 INDICATING THE NAME OF THE REPLACEMENT CANDIDATE OR REPRINT THE
20 SAMPLE BALLOT WITH THE NAME OF THE REPLACEMENT CANDIDATE IN A
21 DIFFERENT COLOR.

22 (d) VOTES CAST FOR THE CANDIDATE WHO VACATED THE
23 NOMINATION MUST BE COUNTED AS VOTES FOR THE REPLACEMENT
24 CANDIDATE."

25 Page 36, lines 25 and 26, strike "Except as otherwise provided in
26 subsection (1)(b) of this section, the" and substitute "~~Except as otherwise~~
27 ~~provided in subsection (1)(b) of this section, The~~".

28 Page 37, line 3, after "COMMISSIONERS," insert "ACQUIRE AND".

29 Page 37, strike lines 10 and 11 and substitute "~~of 1992", the governing~~
30 ~~body of any political subdivision shall, upon consultation with the~~
31 ~~designated~~".

32 Page 37, line 16, strike "~~election~~ COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER, ACQUIRE
33 AND" and substitute "~~election~~".

34 Page 37, strike lines 17 through 19.

35 Page 42, strike line 18 and substitute "**reporting**".

1 Page 43, line 16, strike "AND".

2 Page 43, line 17, strike "BRIEF".

3 Page 43, line 20, strike "LIKELY CAUSE OF THE BACK-UPS OR DELAYS." and
4 substitute "THE KNOWN, PROBABLE, OR POSSIBLE CAUSE OF OR CAUSAL
5 FACTORS THAT MAY HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE BACK-UPS OR DELAYS
6 AND DETERMINATION OF WHETHER THE CAUSE OR CAUSAL FACTORS ARE
7 REASONABLY LIKELY TO PERSIST OR REOCCUR AT FUTURE ELECTIONS.".

8 Page 43, after line 20, insert:

9 "(VIII) A REMEDIATION PLAN TO AVOID OR MINIMIZE WAIT TIMES
10 EXCEEDING ONE HOUR, WHICH MAY INCLUDE A PROPOSAL FOR ADDITIONAL
11 VOTER SERVICE AND POLLING CENTERS OR A PROPOSAL FOR THE USE OF
12 NEW SITES FOR EXISTING CENTERS, ADDITIONAL CHECK-IN STATIONS,
13 VOTING BOOTHS, BALLOT MARKING DEVICES AND BALLOT ON DEMAND
14 SYSTEMS, PRINTERS OR OTHER EQUIPMENT, ADDITIONAL STAFF OR
15 ELECTION JUDGES, OR CHANGES IN THE ALLOCATION OF DUTIES AMONG
16 ELECTION JUDGES AND STAFF; AND

17 (IX) A DESCRIPTION OF THE BARRIERS, IF ANY, THAT MAY PREVENT
18 THE COUNTY FROM ENSURING ALL FUTURE CENTER WAIT TIMES DO NOT
19 EXCEED ONE HOUR.".

20 Page 44, lines 2 and 3, strike "INCLUDE IN THE PLAN, IN ADDITION TO THE
21 INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SECTION 1-7.5-105 (1.3), THE FOLLOWING:"
22 and substitute "INCORPORATE APPROPRIATE REMEDIATION STEPS INTO THE
23 PLAN.".

24 Page 44, strike lines 4 through 27.

25 Page 45, strike lines 1 through 4.

26 Page 46, after line 8, insert:

27 "SECTION 50. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 1-7-803 as
28 follows:

29 **1-7-803. Custody and lawful transfer of election**
30 **records.** (1) A DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL MUST NOT TRANSFER
31 CUSTODY OR CONTROL OF ELECTION RECORDS OR OTHER ELECTION
32 MATERIALS, AS DESIGNATED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE, TO A THIRD
33 PARTY UNLESS THE TRANSFER IS AUTHORIZED OR REQUIRED BY THE
34 SECRETARY OF STATE OR A MANDATORY LEGAL OBLIGATION IMPOSED BY

1 A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION.

2 (2) THE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY ADOPT RULES AS NECESSARY
3 TO ADMINISTER AND ENFORCE THIS SECTION, INCLUDING RULES
4 REGARDING THE CREATION OF AN INVENTORY OF ELECTION RECORDS OR
5 ELECTION MATERIALS TRANSFERRED DUE TO A MANDATORY LEGAL
6 OBLIGATION IMPOSED BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION.

7 (3) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION ALTERS OR AMENDS THE
8 REQUIREMENTS OR LIMITATIONS FOR OR ANY DUTIES OF A DESIGNATED
9 ELECTION OFFICIAL WITH RESPECT TO THE DISCLOSURE OF PUBLIC RECORDS
10 AS SET FORTH IN THE "COLORADO OPEN RECORDS ACT", SECTION
11 24-72-200.1 ET SEQ."

12 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

13 Page 53, strike lines 21 through 27.

14 Page 54, strikes lines 1 through 6.

15 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

16 Page 56, after line 19, insert:

17 **"SECTION 62.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend 1-13-711**
18 as follows:

19 **1-13-711. Interference with voter while voting.**

20 Any person who interferes with any voter who is inside the
21 immediate voting area, WITHIN ONE HUNDRED FEET OF ANY BUILDING IN
22 WHICH A POLLING LOCATION OR DROP-OFF LOCATION IS LOCATED, OR
23 WITHIN ONE HUNDRED FEET OF A DROP BOX or is marking a ballot or
24 operating a voting device or electronic voting device at any election
25 provided by law upon conviction shall be punished as provided in section
26 1-13-111.

27 **SECTION 63.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend 1-13-713**
28 as follows:

29 **1-13-713. Intimidation.**

30 It is unlawful for any person directly or indirectly, by himself or
31 herself or by any other person in his or her behalf, to RECKLESSLY
32 impede, prevent, MAKE A CREDIBLE THREAT, MENACE, INTIMIDATE, or
33 otherwise interfere with the free exercise of the elective franchise of any
34 elector, INCLUDING ANY ELECTOR WHO IS DELIVERING NO MORE THAN TEN
35 MAIL BALLOTS TO A DROP BOX OR DROP-OFF-LOCATION DESIGNATED BY
36 THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER OR DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL,
37 or to compel, induce, or prevail upon any elector either to give or refrain

1 from giving the elector's vote at any election provided by law or to give
2 or refrain from giving the elector's vote for any particular person or
3 measure at any such election. Each such offense is a class 1
4 misdemeanor.

5 **SECTION 64.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-13-724, **amend**
6 (4) as follows:

7 **1-13-724. Unlawfully carrying a firearm at a polling location**
8 **or drop box - exception - legislative declaration.**

9 (4) This section does not apply to a peace officer, as described in
10 section 16-2.5-101, acting within the scope of the peace officer's
11 authority and in the performance of the peace officer's **LAWFUL** duties,
12 **EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 1-13-713 AND 1-13-726."**

13 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

14 Page 58, after line 2 insert:

15 **"SECTION 66.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-13-726, **amend**
16 (3) introductory portion and (6)(b); and **add** (3)(b.5), (5)(e), (5)(f) as
17 follows:

18 **1-13-726. Intimidation of voters or election officials - civil**
19 **enforcement - short title - definitions.**

20 (3) **Election-related intimidation prohibited.** An individual,
21 whether acting under color of law or otherwise, shall not RECKLESSLY
22 intimidate, ~~threaten~~ MAKE A CREDIBLE THREAT, or coerce or attempt to
23 RECKLESSLY intimidate, ~~threaten~~ MAKE A CREDIBLE THREAT, or coerce,
24 DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, any individual for any of the following:

25 (b.5) DELIVERING NO MORE THAN TEN MAIL BALLOTS TO A DROP
26 BOX OR DROP-OFF LOCATION DESIGNATED BY THE COUNTY CLERK AND
27 RECORDER OR DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL;

28 (5) **Right to enforce.**

29 (e) A DISTRICT COURT THAT HAS JURISDICTION OVER ANY SUIT
30 BROUGHT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION MUST EXPEDITE CONSIDERATION OF
31 THE SUIT AND CONDUCT A FORTHWITH HEARING THEREON. A DISTRICT
32 COURT MAY ORDER SUCH EQUITABLE RELIEF AS IS WARRANTED BY THE
33 FACTS AND APPLICABLE LAW AND DO SO ON AN EMERGENCY BASIS IF
34 WARRANTED.

35 (f) IF, AT THE TIME OF FILING THE COMPLAINT, AN INDIVIDUAL
36 DEFENDANT CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED BY NAME BECAUSE THE INDIVIDUAL
37 WAS WEARING A MASK OR OTHER DISGUISE OR REFUSED TO PROVIDE
38 IDENTIFYING INFORMATION INCLUDING THE NAME OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S
39 EMPLOYER, WHETHER AN ORGANIZATION OR GOVERNMENT AGENCY, THE
40 PLAINTIFF MAY NAME THE UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL AND THE INDIVIDUAL'S

1 EMPLOYER AS DEFENDANTS IN THE COMPLAINT FILED PURSUANT TO THIS
2 SECTION.

3 (6) **Relief.**

4 (b) To prevail in a suit to enforce subsection (3) of this section,
5 a plaintiff is not required to prove that a defendant intended to intimidate,
6 threaten, or coerce any individual, except to prove ~~an~~ THAT A
7 DEFENDANT'S ACTS CONSTITUTED A RECKLESS attempt to, DIRECTLY OR
8 INDIRECTLY, intimidate, threaten, or coerce A PERSON IN VOTING OR TO
9 REFRAIN FROM VOTING OR IN DELIVERING NO MORE THAN TEN BALLOTS
10 TO A DROP BOX OR DROP-OFF LOCATION DESIGNATED BY A COUNTY CLERK
11 OR DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL. A court may nonetheless consider
12 evidence of intent in determining the appropriate relief AND SHALL
13 RETAIN JURISDICTION OVER ANY ATTEMPTS BY THE NAMED DEFENDANTS
14 TO INTIMIDATE, THREATEN, OR COERCE VOTING AT THE LOCATION OR
15 LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED IN A SUIT THROUGH THE DATE OF THE RELEVANT
16 ELECTION."

17 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

18 Page 60, after line 8 insert:

19 "SECTION 70. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-703,
20 **amend** (3) as follows:

21 **24-33.5-703. Definitions.**

22 (3) (a) "Disaster" means the occurrence or imminent threat of
23 widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property resulting
24 from any natural cause or cause of human origin, including but not
25 limited to fire; flood; earthquake; wind; storm; wave action; hazardous
26 substance incident; oil spill or other water contamination requiring
27 emergency action to avert danger or damage; volcanic activity; epidemic;
28 air pollution; blight; drought; infestation; explosion; civil disturbance;
29 hostile military or paramilitary action; a market disruption, including a
30 trade disruption or an atypical disruption in the market that affects
31 production, distribution, or consumption of a product or service; or a
32 condition of riot, insurrection, or invasion existing in the state or in any
33 county, city, town, or district in the state.

34 (b) (I) "DISASTER" ALSO MEANS THE OCCURRENCE OR IMMINENT
35 THREAT OF THE INABILITY TO STRICTLY COMPLY WITH PROVISIONS OF THE
36 "UNIFORM ELECTION CODE OF 1992", ARTICLES 1 TO 13 OF TITLE 1, FROM
37 ANY NATURAL CAUSE OR CAUSE OF HUMAN ORIGIN.

38 (II) THIS SUBSECTION (3)(b) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 31,
39 2031."

40 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

1 Page 60, after line 23, insert:

2 **"SECTION 72. Effective date.** This act takes effect upon
3 passage; except that sections 1-7.5-107 (3)(a)(I) and 1-7.5-107 (3)(a)(II),
4 Colorado Revised Statutes, amended in section 50 of this act, take effect
5 July 1, 2026."

6 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

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