## Appendix E

| SUMMARY OF OTHER STATES THAT ALLOW EARLY PROCESSING OF |  |
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| ABSENTEE BALLOTS (BEFORE ELECTION DAY)                 |  |
| AZ   | 33 days pre-election verify signatures on the envelopes; transmit to citizen board to open the   |
|  | envelopes & batch up for counting  |
| CA   | Do signature verification, but don't open until Election Day                                     |
| CO   | Start counting 10 days prior to election   |
| FL   | 4 days+ pre-election – can process but <u>not count</u>  |
| MA   | Remove outer env. before Election Day – deliver inner env. to polls on Election Day for counting |
| MI   | Not processed before Election Day  |
| MO   | Can process but not count pre-Election Day; but most counties don't do this                      |
| NE   | Verify, open & flatten ballots the Thursday before Election Day                                  |
| NH   | Not processed before Election Day  |
| SD   | Not processed before Election Day  |
| TN   | Only do verification prior to Election Day; open during Election Day                             |
| VA   | Not processed before Election Day – legislation pending that may allow that                      |
| WI   | Not opened before Election Day   |