§ 8-416. Ballot drop boxes. 1. For the purposes of this title, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

(a) "ballot drop box" shall mean a secure receptacle established by a board of elections whereby an absentee ballot or early mail ballot marked by a voter pursuant to section 8-410 or 8-708 of this article may be returned to the board of elections of the county or city of the voter's residence; and

(b) "ballot drop-off location" shall mean a location consisting of a secured ballot drop box at which a ballot marked by a voter pursuant to section 8-410 or 8-708 of this article may be returned to the board of elections of the county or city of the voter's residence.

2. Each board of elections is hereby authorized to establish one or more ballot drop-off locations as an additional means for the delivery of absentee or early voting ballots marked by a voter to the board of elections of the county or city of the voter's residence. Each such board of elections shall provide notice of the location of every such ballot drop-off location by posting such information on its website no later than the day the ballot drop-off location is established.

3. The state board of elections is hereby authorized and directed to promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the implementation of the provisions of this section, including, but not limited to the location, chain of custody, pick-up times, proper labeling, and security of ballot drop boxes established by boards of elections pursuant to this section.