

Committee on Ethics and Elections

CS/HB 87 — Public Records/Statewide Voter Registration System

by Public Integrity and Ethics Committee and Rep. Spano and others (CS/SB 278 by Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee and Senators Hutson and Baxley)

The bill creates a public records exemption for voter registration information received by the Department of State, pursuant to membership in a nongovernmental entity, from another state or the District of Columbia in which the information is confidential or exempt pursuant to the laws of those jurisdictions.

The bill provides that the exemption is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act, and stands repealed on October 2, 2023, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature. The bill's effective date is contingent upon, and concurrent with, passage of CS/HB 85, which will take effect on January 1, 2019.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect on the same date that CS/HB 85 takes effect and becomes law.

Vote: Senate 37-0; House 111-0