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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability
(Hutson) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (c) is added to subsection (2) of
section 98.075, Florida Statutes, as amended by CS/SB 1070,
enacted in the 2017 Regular Session, to read:

98.075 Registration records maintenance activities;
ineligibility determinations.—

(2) DUPLICATE REGISTRATION.—



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11 (c) Information received by the department from another
12 state, through an interstate agreement or a membership in a
13 nongovernmental entity that is solely composed of state
14 government election officials for the sole purpose of sharing
15 and exchanging information in order to verify voter registration
16 information, which is confidential or exempt pursuant to the
17 laws of that state, is exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a),
18 Art. I of the State Constitution. This paragraph is subject to
19 the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s.
20 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2022, unless
21 reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the
22 Legislature.

23 Section 2. The Legislature finds that it is a public
24 necessity that information received by the Department of State
25 from another state through an interstate agreement entered into
26 under s. 98.075(2), Florida Statutes, or through a membership in
27 a nongovernmental entity that is solely composed of state
28 government election officials for the sole purpose of sharing
29 and exchanging information in order to verify voter registration
30 information, which is confidential or exempt pursuant to the
31 laws of that state be made exempt from s. 119.07(1), Florida
32 Statutes, and s. 24(a), Article I of the State Constitution.
33 Participating in interstate agreements or nongovernmental
34 entities to share and exchange information with other states in
35 order to verify voter registration information is critical to
36 ensuring the accuracy of the statewide voter registration
37 system. Maintaining an accurate statewide voter registration
38 system is critical to fair elections in this state. Without the
39 public records exemption, the department will be unable to



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40 receive information from other states which might otherwise be
41 confidential or exempt pursuant to the laws of those states,
42 which would impair the ability of the department and supervisors
43 of elections to maintain accurate voter rolls. As a result, the
44 effective and efficient administration of the statewide voter
45 registration system would be hindered.

46 Section 3. This act shall take effect on the same date that
47 CS/SB 1070 or similar legislation takes effect, if such
48 legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an
49 extension thereof and becomes a law.

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51 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

52 And the title is amended as follows:

53 Delete everything before the enacting clause
54 and insert:

55 A bill to be entitled
56 An act relating to public records; amending s. 98.075,
57 F.S.; creating a public records exemption for certain
58 information received by the Department of State from
59 another state, through an interstate agreement or a
60 membership in a nongovernmental entity whose
61 membership is solely composed of state government
62 election officials for the sole purpose of sharing and
63 exchanging information in order to verify voter
64 registration information, which is confidential or
65 exempt pursuant to the laws of that state; providing
66 for future legislative review and repeal of the
67 exemption; providing a statement of public necessity;
68 providing a contingent effective date.