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Senator Brandes moved the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 350 - 360

and insert:

Section 4. Effective July 1, 2022, present subsections (4) through (12) of section 97.057, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (5) through (13), respectively, a new subsection (4) and subsection (14) are added to that section, and subsections (1) and (2) of that section are amended, to read:

97.057 Voter registration by the Department of Highway



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12 Safety and Motor Vehicles.-

13 (1) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles  
14 shall provide the opportunity to register to vote ~~or to update a~~  
15 ~~voter registration record~~ to each individual who is not  
16 registered to vote in this state who comes to an office of that  
17 department to:

18 (a) Apply for or renew a driver license;

19 (b) Apply for or renew an identification card pursuant to  
20 chapter 322; or

21 (c) Change an address on an existing driver license or  
22 identification card.

23 (2) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles  
24 shall:

25 (a) Notify each individual subject to subsection (1),  
26 orally or in writing, that:

27 1. Information gathered for the completion of a driver  
28 license or identification card application, renewal, or change  
29 of address can be automatically transferred to a voter  
30 registration application;

31 2. If additional information and a signature are provided,  
32 the voter registration application will be completed and sent to  
33 the proper election authority;

34 ~~3. Information provided can also be used to update a voter~~  
35 ~~registration record;~~

36 ~~4.~~ All declinations will remain confidential and may be  
37 used only for voter registration purposes; and

38 ~~4.5.~~ The particular driver license office in which the  
39 person applies to register to vote ~~or updates a voter~~  
40 ~~registration record~~ will remain confidential and may be used



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41 only for voter registration purposes.

42 (b) Require a driver license examiner to inquire orally or,  
43 if the applicant is hearing impaired, inquire in writing whether  
44 the applicant wishes to register to vote ~~or update a voter~~  
45 ~~registration record~~ during the completion of a driver license or  
46 identification card application, renewal, or change of address.

47 1. If the applicant chooses to register to vote ~~or to~~  
48 ~~update a voter registration record~~:

49 a. All applicable information received by the Department of  
50 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles in the course of filling out  
51 the forms necessary under subsection (1) must be transferred to  
52 a voter registration application.

53 b. The additional necessary information must be obtained by  
54 the driver license examiner and must not duplicate any  
55 information already obtained while completing the forms required  
56 under subsection (1).

57 c. A voter registration application with all of the  
58 applicant's voter registration information required to establish  
59 the applicant's eligibility pursuant to s. 97.041 must be  
60 presented to the applicant to review and verify the voter  
61 registration information received and provide an electronic  
62 signature affirming the accuracy of the information provided.

63 2. If the applicant declines to register to vote, ~~update~~  
64 ~~the applicant's voter registration record, or change the~~  
65 ~~applicant's address~~ by either orally declining or by failing to  
66 sign the voter registration application, the Department of  
67 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles must note such declination on  
68 its records and shall forward the declination to the statewide  
69 voter registration system.



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70       (4) If a registered or preregistered voter submits a change  
71 of address to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
72 Vehicles, or supplies an address of legal residence as part of a  
73 driver license or identification card application or renewal  
74 which differs from the address in the person's voter  
75 registration record, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
76 Vehicles must electronically transmit within 24 hours after  
77 receipt the information necessary to update the person's voter  
78 registration record to the statewide voter registration system.  
79 The person's voter registration shall be updated in accordance  
80 with s. 98.065(4) (a).

81       (14) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles  
82 and the Department of State shall prescribe a method by which a  
83 driver license office, upon obtaining a person's full name, date  
84 of birth, driver license or state identification number, address  
85 of legal residence, and mailing address if different from the  
86 address of legal residence, may immediately use the information  
87 in the statewide voter registration system to determine whether  
88 the person is registered or preregistered to vote in this state  
89 and, if so, whether the person is registered or preregistered at  
90 the address of legal residence the person provided to the  
91 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

92       Section 5. Effective July 1, 2022, paragraph (b) of  
93 subsection (4) of section 98.045, Florida Statutes, is amended  
94 to read:

95       98.045 Administration of voter registration.—

96       (4) STATEWIDE ELECTRONIC DATABASE OF VALID RESIDENTIAL  
97 STREET ADDRESSES.—

98       (b) The department shall make the statewide database of



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99 valid street addresses available to the Department of Highway  
100 Safety and Motor Vehicles as provided in s. 97.057(11) ~~s.~~  
101 ~~97.057(10)~~. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles  
102 shall use the database for purposes of validating the legal  
103 residential addresses provided in voter registration  
104 applications received by the Department of Highway Safety and  
105 Motor Vehicles.

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

108 And the title is amended as follows:

109 Delete lines 15 - 19

110 and insert:

111 F.S.; revising procedures governing voter registration  
112 by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
113 Vehicles; modifying procedures for updates to voter  
114 registration records; providing for the electronic  
115 transmittal of change of address information in  
116 accordance with specified requirements; requiring the  
117 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and  
118 the Department of State to prescribe a method to  
119 verify the registration or preregistration status of  
120 certain individuals; amending s. 98.045, F.S.;

121 conforming a cross-reference; amending s.