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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

Representative Gantt offered the following:

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Remove lines 352-459 and insert:

5 in which the applicant resides in less than <u>10 business</u> <u>14</u> days 6 or before registration closes for the next ensuing election, and 7 that the applicant may instead elect to deliver the application 8 in person or by mail or choose to register online. The statement 9 must further inform the applicant how to determine whether the 10 application has been delivered.

Section 3. Subsection (13) of section 97.057, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

13 97.057 Voter registration by the Department of Highway 140937

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14 Safety and Motor Vehicles.-

(13) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles must assist the Department of State in regularly identifying changes in residence address on the driver license or identification card of a voter. The Department of State must report each such change to the appropriate supervisor of elections who must change the voter's registration records in accordance with <u>s. 98.065(4)</u> s. 98.065(5).

22 Section 4. Section 97.0575, Florida Statutes, is amended 23 to read:

24 97.0575 Third-party voter <u>registration organizations</u> 25 registrations.-

(1) Before engaging in any voter registration activities, a third-party voter registration organization must register and provide to the division, in an electronic format, the following information:

30 (a) The names of the officers of the organization and the31 name and permanent address of the organization.

32 (b) The name and address of the organization's registered33 agent in the state.

(c) The names, permanent addresses, and temporary addresses, if any, of each registration agent registering persons to vote in this state on behalf of the organization. This paragraph does not apply to persons who only solicit applications and do not collect or handle voter registration 140937

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39 applications.

40 (d) Beginning January 1, 2025, the specific general
41 election cycle for which the third-party voter registration
42 organization is registering persons to vote.

43 (e) An affirmation that each person collecting or handling 44 voter registration applications on behalf of the third-party voter registration organization has not been convicted of a 45 felony violation of the Election Code, of a felony violation of 46 an offense specified in s. 817.5685, or of an offense specified 47 in s. 817.568. A third-party voter registration organization is 48 49 liable for a fine in the amount of \$50,000 for each person 50 convicted of a felony violation of the Election Code, of a 51 felony violation of an offense specified in s. 817.5685, or of 52 an offense specified in s. 817.568 who is collecting or handling 53 voter registration applications on behalf of the third-party 54 voter registration organization. 55 (f) An affirmation that each person collecting or handling 56 voter registration applications on behalf of the third-party 57 voter registration organization is a citizen of the United 58 States of America. A third-party voter registration organization 59 is liable for a fine in the amount of \$50,000 for each person 60 who is not a citizen and is collecting or handling voter 61 registration applications on behalf of the third-party voter 62 registration organization. 63 (2) Beginning January 1, 2025, the registration of a

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64 <u>third-party voter registration organization automatically</u> 65 <u>expires at the conclusion of the specific general election cycle</u> 66 <u>for which the third-party voter registration organization is</u> 67 registered.

68 (3) (2) The division or the supervisor of elections shall 69 make voter registration forms available to third-party voter 70 registration organizations. All such forms must contain 71 information identifying the organization to which the forms are 72 provided. The division shall maintain a database of all third-73 party voter registration organizations and the voter registration forms assigned to the third-party voter 74 75 registration organization. Each supervisor of elections shall 76 provide to the division information on voter registration forms 77 assigned to and received from third-party voter registration 78 organizations. The information must be provided in a format and 79 at times as required by the division by rule. The division shall 80 must update information on third-party voter registrations daily 81 and make the information publicly available.

82 (4) A third-party voter registration organization that 83 collects voter registration applications shall provide a receipt 84 to an applicant upon accepting possession of his or her 85 application. The division shall adopt by rule a uniform format 86 for the receipt by October 1, 2023. The format must include, but 87 need not be limited to, the name of the applicant, the date the 88 application is received, the name of the third-party voter 140937

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89 registration organization, the name of the registration agent, 90 the applicant's political party affiliation, and the county in 91 which the applicant resides.

92 (5) (a) (3) (a) A third-party voter registration organization 93 that collects voter registration applications serves as a 94 fiduciary to the applicant and shall ensure, ensuring that any 95 voter registration application entrusted to the organization, 96 irrespective of party affiliation, race, ethnicity, or gender, 97 is must be promptly delivered to the division or the supervisor 98 of elections in the county in which the applicant resides within 99 10 business 14 days after the application is was completed by 100 the applicant, but not after registration closes for the next 101 ensuing election. If a voter registration application collected 102 by any third-party voter registration organization is not 103 promptly delivered to the division or supervisor of elections in 104 the county in which the applicant resides, the third-party voter 105 registration organization is liable for the following fines:

106 1. A fine in the amount of \$50 per each day late, up to 107 $\frac{22,500}{100}$, for each application received by the division or the 108 supervisor of elections in the county in which the applicant 109 resides more than <u>10 business</u> 14 days after the applicant 110 delivered the

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