

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to elections and state-issued
3 identification; amending s. 97.026, F.S.; requiring
4 that certain instructions be prominently displayed on
5 certain Internet websites; amending s. 97.052, F.S.;
6 revising the information that the uniform statewide
7 voter registration application must be designed to
8 elicit from an applicant and must contain; amending s.
9 97.053, F.S.; requiring the Department of State and
10 supervisors of elections to verify certain information
11 relating to citizenship status; providing that
12 eligibility to vote must be verified in a certain
13 manner; requiring a supervisor of elections to refer
14 certain matters to the Office of Election Crimes and
15 Security; amending s. 97.0535, F.S.; requiring certain
16 voter registration applicants who have not previously
17 voted in the state to provide certain identification
18 before voting; revising the forms of identification
19 that may be accepted for a certain purpose; revising
20 the persons who are exempt from certain identification
21 requirements; providing that certain persons currently
22 residing outside the United States must meet certain
23 requirements; providing that certain identification
24 may be submitted in a certain manner; amending s.
25 97.057, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway

26 Safety and Motor Vehicles to provide an opportunity to
27 register to vote or update voter registration records
28 to certain individuals; requiring the department to
29 provide certain notification to certain individuals;
30 requiring a voter registration applicant to provide a
31 wet signature; requiring the department to offer
32 certain opportunities to certain individuals;
33 requiring the department to send voter registration
34 applications or certain instructions to certain
35 individuals; requiring specified voters to be informed
36 of certain information; requiring the department to
37 notify the Department of State of certain information;
38 requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor
39 Vehicles to provide certain weekly and by-query
40 reports to the Department of State and supervisors of
41 elections; requiring a supervisor of elections to
42 remove certain persons from the statewide voter
43 registration system; amending s. 97.0575, F.S.;;
44 requiring a third-party voter registration
45 organization to provide a certain affirmation to the
46 Division of Elections; amending s. 97.058, F.S.;;
47 revising eligibility for certain voter registration;
48 requiring certain voter registration forms to ask
49 about citizenship; amending s. 97.0585, F.S.;;
50 providing that certain information is not exempt from

51 public records requirements; amending s. 97.1031,
52 F.S.; requiring a supervisor of elections to verify an
53 elector's eligibility status using all available data
54 sources in certain circumstances; amending s. 98.045,
55 F.S.; requiring a supervisor of elections to use all
56 available data sources to make a certain
57 determination; providing that the receipt of certain
58 information from the Department of Highway Safety and
59 Motor Vehicles shall be considered a request from a
60 voter for his or her removal from the statewide voter
61 registration system; requiring the Department of State
62 to include certain information in the database of
63 valid residential street addresses; requiring the
64 department to adopt rules; amending s. 98.065, F.S.;
65 requiring a supervisor of elections to conduct certain
66 bulk list maintenance at least quarterly; requiring a
67 supervisor of elections to at least quarterly analyze
68 the voter registration database for a certain purpose
69 and to take certain actions; amending s. 98.075, F.S.;
70 requiring a supervisor of elections to remove certain
71 names from the statewide voter registration system
72 after certain verification using Department of Highway
73 Safety and Motor Vehicles records; requiring a
74 supervisor of elections to take certain actions upon
75 receipt of, access to, or knowledge of certain

76 information from a credible source; specifying certain
77 credible sources of certain information; requiring a
78 supervisor of elections to send an address
79 confirmation and an address confirmation final notice
80 in certain circumstances; amending s. 98.093, F.S.;
81 requiring state and local government agencies to
82 facilitate the provision of certain information and
83 data access to the Department of State and supervisors
84 of elections; amending s. 98.255, F.S.; requiring the
85 Department of State to adopt rules relating to
86 nonpartisan voter education; requiring a county
87 supervisor to provide certain education; amending s.
88 101.043, F.S.; requiring certain electors be given a
89 provisional ballot; amending s. 101.6921, F.S.;
90 revising the voter's certificate; amending s.
91 101.6923, F.S.; revising the instructions that a
92 supervisor of elections must enclose with certain
93 vote-by-mail ballots; amending s. 322.141, F.S.;
94 requiring certain licenses and identification cards to
95 denote certain individuals as noncitizens; providing
96 an effective date.

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98 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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100 **Section 1. Section 97.026, Florida Statutes, is amended to**

101 **read:**

102 97.026 Forms to be available in alternative formats and
103 via the Internet.-

104 (1) It is the intent of the Legislature that all forms
105 required to be used in chapters 97-106 shall be made available
106 upon request, in alternative formats. Such forms shall include
107 vote-by-mail ballots as alternative formats for such ballots
108 become available and the Division of Elections is able to
109 certify systems that provide them. Whenever possible, such
110 forms, with the exception of vote-by-mail ballots, shall be made
111 available by the Department of State via the Internet. Sections
112 that contain such forms include, but are not limited to, ss.
113 97.051, 97.052, 97.053, 97.057, 97.058, 97.0583, 97.071, 97.073,
114 97.1031, 98.075, 99.021, 100.361, 100.371, 101.045, 101.171,
115 101.20, 101.6103, 101.62, 101.64, 101.65, 101.657, 105.031,
116 106.023, and 106.087.

117 (2) Instructions on how to cancel voter registration must
118 be prominently displayed on any Internet website that instructs
119 voters on how to update their voter registration information.

120 **Section 2. Paragraph (n) of subsection (2) and paragraph**
121 **(f) of subsection (3) of section 97.052, Florida Statutes, are**
122 **amended to read:**

123 97.052 Uniform statewide voter registration application.-

124 (2) The uniform statewide voter registration application
125 must be designed to elicit the following information from the

126 applicant:

127 (n) Florida driver license number or the identification
 128 number from a Florida identification card issued under s.
 129 322.051, and the last four digits of the applicant's social
 130 security number.

131 (3) The uniform statewide voter registration application
 132 must also contain:

133 (f) A statement informing an applicant who has not been
 134 issued a Florida driver license, a Florida identification card,
 135 or a social security number that if ~~the application is submitted~~
 136 ~~by mail and~~ the applicant is registering for the first time in
 137 this state, the applicant will be required to provide
 138 identification before ~~prior to~~ voting the first time.

139 **Section 3. Subsection (6) of section 97.053, Florida**
 140 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

141 97.053 Acceptance of voter registration applications.—

142 (6) (a) A voter registration application, including an
 143 application with a change in name, address, or party
 144 affiliation, may be accepted as valid only after the department
 145 has verified the authenticity or nonexistence of the driver
 146 license number, the Florida identification card number, or the
 147 last four digits of the social security number provided by the
 148 applicant.

149 1. If the voter registration applicant applies using a
 150 driver license number or Florida identification card number, the

151 department and the supervisor of elections must also verify that
152 the driver license number or Florida identification card number
153 was not obtained using non-United States citizen documentation
154 and is classified as that of a United States citizen in
155 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles records. If the
156 driver license was obtained using non-United States citizen
157 documentation, every possible means must be used to determine if
158 the applicant became a naturalized citizen after obtaining his
159 or her driver license. The department may not accept as valid a
160 voter registration application if non-United States citizen
161 status is indicated and shall document the result of checks
162 completed to confirm that none of the supplied credentials
163 indicate non-United States citizen status.

164 2. If the voter registration applicant applies using the
165 last four digits of his or her social security number, the
166 department must use all possible means to verify citizenship
167 status and the applicant is required to present his or her
168 social security card before voting for the first time in this
169 state. A voter who presents at the polling place a social
170 security card that contains a work restriction must vote on a
171 provisional ballot and provide proof of citizenship before his
172 or her vote may be counted.

173 3. If the voter registration applicant applies without a
174 driver license number, Florida identification card number, or
175 social security number, all possible means must be used to

176 verify citizenship status, including data from the courts,
177 Department of Corrections, Department of Children and Families,
178 or any other governmental agency that collects citizenship data.
179 If there are no findings that indicate that the applicant is not
180 a United States citizen, the application may be accepted as
181 valid.

182 4. The voter's eligibility to vote pursuant to s. 97.041
183 must be verified by comparing information from all available
184 sources, including the department's records, to determine if his
185 or her driver license is currently classified by the department
186 as a non-United States citizen license, a surrendered license of
187 a person who moved out of state, or a license of a person who is
188 deceased.

189 5. If a supervisor of elections determines that false
190 affirmations have been knowingly made on a voter registration
191 application, the matter must be referred to the Office of
192 Election Crimes and Security.

193 (b) If a completed voter registration application has been
194 received by the book-closing deadline but the driver license
195 number, the Florida identification card number, or the last four
196 digits of the social security number provided by the applicant
197 cannot be verified, the applicant shall be notified that the
198 number cannot be verified and that the applicant must provide
199 evidence to the supervisor sufficient to verify the authenticity
200 of the applicant's driver license number, Florida identification

201 card number, or last four digits of the social security number.
 202 If the applicant provides the necessary evidence, the supervisor
 203 shall place the applicant's name on the registration rolls as an
 204 active voter. If the applicant has not provided the necessary
 205 evidence or the number has not otherwise been verified prior to
 206 the applicant presenting himself or herself to vote, the
 207 applicant shall be provided a provisional ballot. The
 208 provisional ballot shall be counted only if the number is
 209 verified by the end of the canvassing period or if the applicant
 210 presents evidence to the supervisor of elections sufficient to
 211 verify the authenticity of the applicant's driver license
 212 number, Florida identification card number, or last four digits
 213 of the social security number no later than 5 p.m. of the second
 214 day following the election.

215 **Section 4. Section 97.0535, Florida Statutes, is amended**
 216 **to read:**

217 97.0535 Special requirements for certain applicants.—

218 (1) Each applicant who registers by any method other than
 219 at an office of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor
 220 Vehicles ~~mail~~ and who has never previously voted in the state
 221 and who the department has verified has not been issued a
 222 current and valid Florida driver license or ~~Florida~~
 223 ~~identification card, or social security number~~ shall be required
 224 to provide a copy of a current and valid identification, as
 225 provided in subsection (3), or indicate that he or she is exempt

226 from the requirements before ~~prior to~~ voting. Such
227 identification or indication may be provided at the time of
228 registering, or at any time before ~~prior to~~ voting for the first
229 time in the state. If the voter registration application clearly
230 provides information from which a voter registration official
231 can determine that the applicant meets at least one of the
232 exemptions in subsection (4), the voter registration official
233 shall make the notation on the registration records of the
234 statewide voter registration system and the applicant shall not
235 be required to provide the identification required by this
236 section.

237 (2) The voter registration official shall, upon accepting
238 the voter registration application submitted pursuant to
239 subsection (1), determine if the applicant provided the required
240 identification at the time of registering. If the required
241 identification was not provided, the supervisor shall notify the
242 applicant that he or she must provide one of the following forms
243 of identification before ~~prior to~~ voting the first time in the
244 state.

245 (3) (a) The following forms of identification shall be
246 considered current and valid if they ~~contain the name and~~
247 ~~photograph of the applicant and~~ have not expired:

- 248 1. United States passport.
- 249 2. United states birth certificate, accompanied by an
250 acceptable identification that contains the name and photograph

251 of the applicant.

252 3. United States naturalization papers, accompanied by an
253 acceptable identification that contains the name and photograph
254 of the applicant.

255 4. A consular report of birth abroad provided by the
256 United States Department of State, accompanied by an acceptable
257 identification that contains the name and photograph of the
258 applicant.

259 5. A social security card that does not contain a work
260 restriction, accompanied by an acceptable identification that
261 contains the name and photograph of the applicant.

262 (b) Acceptable identification for purposes of
263 subparagraphs (a)1.-5. include the following:

264 1.2. Debit or credit card.

265 2.3. Military identification.

266 3.4. Student identification.

267 4.5. Retirement center identification.

268 ~~6. Neighborhood association identification.~~

269 5.7. Public assistance identification.

270 ~~6.8.~~ Veteran health identification card issued by the
271 United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

272 7.9. A license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm
273 issued pursuant to s. 790.06.

274 ~~8.10.~~ Employee identification card issued by any branch,
275 department, agency, or entity of the Federal Government, the

276 | state, a county, or a municipality.

277 | ~~(c)-(b)~~ The following forms of identification shall be
 278 | considered proof of residential address ~~current and valid~~ if
 279 | they are dated within the last 2 months and contain the name and
 280 | current residence address of the applicant as provided in the
 281 | voter registration application:

- 282 | 1. Utility bill.
- 283 | 2. Bank statement.
- 284 | 3. Government check.
- 285 | 4. Paycheck.
- 286 | 5. Other government document (excluding voter
 287 | identification card).

288 | (4) The following persons are exempt from the
 289 | identification requirements of this section:

290 | ~~(a)~~ ~~Persons 65 years of age or older.~~

291 | ~~(a)-(b)~~ Persons with a temporary or permanent physical
 292 | disability, as documented by a doctor's note provided to a voter
 293 | registration official.

294 | ~~(b)-(e)~~ Members of the uniformed service on active duty, as
 295 | documented by a current military identification provided to a
 296 | voter registration official, who, by reason of such active duty,
 297 | are absent from the county on election day.

298 | ~~(c)-(d)~~ Members of the Merchant Marine, as documented by a
 299 | current Merchant Marine identification provided to a voter
 300 | registration official, who, by reason of service in the Merchant

301 Marine, are absent from the county on election day.

302 (d)~~(e)~~ The spouse or dependent of a member referred to in
303 paragraph (b) ~~(e)~~ or paragraph (c), as documented by a uniformed
304 services dependent identification, ~~(d)~~ who, by reason of the
305 active duty or service of the member, is absent from the county
306 on election day.

307 (5)~~(f)~~ A person ~~Persons~~ currently residing outside the
308 United States who is ~~are~~ eligible to vote in Florida and who is
309 not exempt from the identification requirements of this section
310 under subsection (4) must meet the requirements of subsection
311 (3) except that he or she may provide one of the following in
312 lieu of a document listed in paragraph (3) (c):

313 (a) A document listed in paragraph (3) (c) which is not
314 current and an equivalent document providing his or her
315 residential address outside the United States.

316 (b) A consular report of birth abroad provided by the
317 United States Department of State and proof that his or her
318 parents previously resided in this state.

319 (6) Identification required under this section may be
320 submitted in the same manner as provided in s. 101.68(4) (d).

321 **Section 5. Present subsections (3) through (5) and (6)**
322 **through (14) of section 97.057, Florida Statutes, are**
323 **redesignated as subsections (4) through (6) and (8) through**
324 **(16), respectively, subsections (1) and (2) and present**
325 **subsection (5) and (10) are amended, and new subsections (3),**

326 **(7), (17), and (18) are added to that section, to read:**

327 97.057 Voter registration by the Department of Highway
328 Safety and Motor Vehicles.—

329 (1) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
330 shall provide the opportunity to register to vote or to update a
331 voter registration record to each individual classified in
332 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles records as a
333 United States citizen who comes to an office of the Department
334 of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles ~~that department~~ to:

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

336 (b) Apply for or renew an identification card pursuant to
337 chapter 322; or

338 (c) Change an address on an existing driver license or
339 identification card.

340 (2) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
341 shall:

342 (a) Notify each individual who is classified in Department
343 of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles records as a United States
344 citizen, orally or in writing, that:

345 1. Information gathered for the completion of a driver
346 license or identification card application, renewal, or change
347 of address can be automatically transferred to a voter
348 registration application;

349 2. If additional information and a signature are provided,
350 the voter registration application will be completed and sent to

351 the proper election authority;

352 3. Information provided can also be used to update a voter
353 registration record, except that party affiliation will not be
354 changed unless the individual designates a change in party
355 affiliation and separately consents to such change in writing;

356 4. All declinations will remain confidential and may be
357 used only for voter registration purposes; and

358 5. The particular driver license office in which the
359 person applies to register to vote or updates a voter
360 registration record will remain confidential and may be used
361 only for voter registration purposes.

362 (b) Require a driver license examiner to inquire orally
363 or, if the applicant is hearing impaired, inquire in writing
364 whether the applicant wishes to register to vote or update a
365 voter registration record during the completion of a driver
366 license or identification card application, renewal, or change
367 of address.

368 1. If the applicant chooses to register to vote or to
369 update a voter registration record:

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

374 b. The additional necessary information must be obtained
375 by the driver license examiner and must not duplicate any

376 information already obtained while completing the forms required
377 under subsection (1).

378 c. A voter registration application with all of the
379 applicant's voter registration information required to establish
380 the applicant's eligibility pursuant to s. 97.041 must be
381 presented to the applicant to review and verify the voter
382 registration information received and to provide a wet signature
383 and an electronic signature affirming the accuracy of the
384 information provided.

385 d. The voter registration application may not be used to
386 change the party affiliation of the applicant unless the
387 applicant designates a change in party affiliation and provides
388 a separate signature consenting to the party affiliation change.

389 e. After verifying the voter registration information and
390 providing his or her signatures ~~electronic signature~~, the
391 applicant must be provided with a printed receipt that includes
392 such information and documents any change in party affiliation.

393 2. If the applicant declines to register to vote, update
394 the applicant's voter registration record, or change the
395 applicant's address by either orally declining or by failing to
396 sign the voter registration application, the Department of
397 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles must note such declination on
398 its records and shall forward the declination to the statewide
399 voter registration system.

400 (3) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles

401 shall offer an individual identified as not being a United
402 States citizen the opportunity to update his or her driver
403 license classification upon becoming a United States citizen.
404 Upon updating his or her driver license classification to
405 reflect United States citizenship, the individual must be
406 offered the opportunity to register to vote.

407 (6)~~(5)~~ The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
408 must send, with each driver license renewal extension
409 application authorized pursuant to s. 322.18(8) and sent to an
410 individual classified in Department of Highway Safety and Motor
411 Vehicles records as a United States citizen, a uniform statewide
412 voter registration application, the voter registration
413 application prescribed under paragraph (4) (a) ~~(3) (a)~~, or a voter
414 registration application developed especially for the purposes
415 of this subsection by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor
416 Vehicles, with the approval of the Department of State, which
417 must meet the requirements of s. 97.052.

418 (7) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
419 must send, with each driver license renewal extension
420 application authorized pursuant to s. 322.18(8) and sent to an
421 individual classified in the Department of Highway Safety and
422 Motor Vehicles records as a non-United States citizen,
423 instructions on how he or she may update his or her driver
424 license classification upon becoming a United States citizen.

425 (12)~~(10)~~ The department shall provide the Department of

426 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles with an electronic database of
427 street addresses valid for use as the address of legal residence
428 as required in s. 97.053(5). The Department of Highway Safety
429 and Motor Vehicles shall compare the address provided by the
430 applicant against the database of valid street addresses. If the
431 address provided by the applicant does not match a valid street
432 address in the database, the applicant will be asked to verify
433 the address provided. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor
434 Vehicles shall not reject any application for voter registration
435 for which a valid match cannot be made, however, the voter shall
436 be informed that he or she may be required to vote in person
437 until the address is corrected.

438 (17) (a) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor
439 Vehicles must notify the Department of State when a driver
440 license has been made invalid due to the issuance of a driver
441 license in another state or due to notification of death. The
442 Department of State must report each such change to the
443 appropriate supervisor of elections, who shall remove the
444 registered voter from the statewide voter registration system in
445 accordance with s. 98.075(3) (a) or (7), as applicable.

446 (b) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
447 shall make driver license surrender and death reports available
448 in weekly reports to the Department of State and make driver
449 license surrender and death status available by means of online
450 or written query and customized reports to the Department of

451 State and supervisors of elections.

452 (18) (a) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor
453 Vehicles must notify the Department of State when a Florida
454 identification card or driver license has been obtained with
455 documentation that indicates that the applicant is not a United
456 States citizen. Documentation deemed to indicate that an
457 individual is not a United States citizen includes social
458 security cards that contain a work restriction, alien
459 registration receipt cards, employment authorization cards
460 issued by the United States Department of Homeland Security, and
461 proof of nonimmigrant classification provided by the United
462 States Department of Homeland Security.

463 (b) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
464 shall furnish information identifying those persons who, during
465 the preceding week, presented evidence of non-United States
466 citizenship under this subsection as part of the weekly report
467 required under s. 98.093(8). The information must also be
468 available upon written or electronic request by the Department
469 of State or a supervisor of elections. Information provided
470 under this subsection must be considered under s. 98.075(6).

471 **Section 6. Paragraph (g) is added to subsection (1) of**
472 **section 97.0575, Florida Statutes, to read:**

473 97.0575 Third-party voter registration organizations.—

474 (1) Before engaging in any voter registration activities,
475 a third-party voter registration organization must register and

476 provide to the division, in an electronic format, the following
477 information:

478 (g) An affirmation that each person collecting voter
479 registration applications on behalf of the third-party voter
480 registration organization:

481 1. May not knowingly solicit persons who are not United
482 States citizens to register to vote;

483 2. Shall incorporate citizenship status and other
484 eligibility requirements listed in s. 97.041 in screening
485 questions; and

486 3. Shall provide any individual who indicates that he or
487 she is not a United States citizen or who displays a driver
488 license indicating that he or she is not a United States citizen
489 with instructions on how to register to vote upon becoming a
490 United States citizen.

491 **Section 7. Subsection (1) and paragraph (a) of subsection**
492 **(2) of section 97.058, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

493 97.058 Voter registration agencies.—

494 (1) Each voter registration agency must provide each
495 applicant the opportunity to register to vote or to update a
496 voter registration record, at the time the applicant applies for
497 services or assistance from that agency, for renewal of such
498 services or assistance, or for a change of address required with
499 respect to the services or assistance. For purposes of this
500 subsection, applicant only includes a person who affirms that

501 they are a citizen of the United States on the form provided
502 under subsection (2).

503 (2) Each voter registration agency, other than a public
504 library, must develop and provide each applicant with a form
505 approved by the department containing all of the following:

506 (a) The questions:

507 1. "Are you a United States citizen?" If yes, continue.

508 ~~2.1.~~ "If you are not registered to vote where you live
509 now, would you like to apply to register to vote today?"

510 ~~3.2.~~ "If you are registered to vote where you live now,
511 would you like to update your voter registration record?"

512 **Section 8. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (1) of**
513 **section 97.0585, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

514 97.0585 Public records exemption; information regarding
515 voters and voter registration; confidentiality.—

516 (1) The following information held by an agency, as
517 defined in s. 119.011, and obtained for the purpose of voter
518 registration is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s.
519 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution and may be used only for
520 purposes of voter registration:

521 (b) Information relating to the place where a person
522 registered to vote or where a person updated a voter
523 registration, except for information relating to the method of
524 registration.

525 (c) The social security number, driver license number, and

526 Florida identification number of a voter registration applicant
 527 or voter, except for information relating to the type of number
 528 provided.

529 **Section 9. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section**
 530 **97.1031, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:**

531 97.1031 Notice of change of residence, change of name, or
 532 change of party affiliation.—

533 (1) (a) When an elector changes his or her residence
 534 address, the elector must notify the supervisor of elections and
 535 the supervisor shall verify the elector's eligibility status
 536 using all available data sources. Except as provided in
 537 paragraph (b), an address change must be submitted using a voter
 538 registration application.

539 **Section 10. Subsection (1) and paragraph (a) of subsection**
 540 **(4) of section 98.045, Florida Statutes, are amended, and**
 541 **paragraph (c) is added to subsection (2) of that section, to**
 542 **read:**

543 98.045 Administration of voter registration.—

544 (1) ELIGIBILITY OF APPLICANT.—The supervisor must ensure
 545 that any eligible applicant for voter registration is registered
 546 to vote and that each application for voter registration is
 547 processed in accordance with law. The supervisor shall, using
 548 all available data sources, determine whether a voter
 549 registration applicant is ineligible based on any of the
 550 following:

- 551 (a) The failure to complete a voter registration
552 application as specified in s. 97.053.
- 553 (b) The applicant is deceased.
- 554 (c) The applicant has been convicted of a felony for which
555 his or her voting rights have not been restored.
- 556 (d) The applicant has been adjudicated mentally
557 incapacitated with respect to the right to vote and such right
558 has not been restored.
- 559 (e) The applicant does not meet the age requirement
560 pursuant to s. 97.041.
- 561 (f) The applicant is not a United States citizen.
- 562 (g) The applicant is a fictitious person.
- 563 (h) The applicant has provided an address of legal
564 residence that is not his or her legal residence.
- 565 (i) The applicant has provided a driver license number,
566 Florida identification card number, or the last four digits of a
567 social security number that is not verifiable by the department.
- 568 (2) REMOVAL OF REGISTERED VOTERS.—
- 569 (c) Information received from the Department of Highway
570 Safety and Motor Vehicles indicating that a registered voter in
571 the state has obtained a driver license in another state shall
572 be considered a written request from the voter to have the
573 voter's name removed from the statewide voter registration
574 system.
- 575 (4) STATEWIDE ELECTRONIC DATABASE OF VALID RESIDENTIAL

576 STREET ADDRESSES.—

577 (a) The department shall compile and maintain a statewide
578 electronic database of valid residential street addresses from
579 the information provided by the supervisors of elections
580 pursuant to s. 98.015. The department shall evaluate the
581 information provided by the supervisors of elections to identify
582 any duplicate addresses and any address that may overlap county
583 boundaries. The department shall include in the database the
584 maximum number of occupants in accordance with the applicable
585 zoning regulations at each address. The department and
586 supervisors of elections shall use all available data sources
587 and methods to update mailing and registration addresses to be
588 accurate and CASS-compliant residential addresses. The
589 department shall adopt rules that specify such sources and
590 methods.

591 **Section 11. Present subsection (7) of section 98.065,**
592 **Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (9), and a new**
593 **subsection (7) and subsection (8) are added to that section, to**
594 **read:**

595 98.065 Registration list maintenance programs.—

596 (7) The supervisor of elections shall at least quarterly
597 conduct bulk list maintenance by comparing the county voter roll
598 to customized reports from the Department of Highway Safety,
599 Department of Children and Families, and Motor Vehicles and
600 other sources that may identify persons who are not United

601 States citizens, persons who have moved out of state, persons
602 who are deceased, and persons who are otherwise ineligible.

603 (8) The supervisor of elections shall at least quarterly
604 analyze the voter registration database to determine addresses
605 with more registered voters than allowed by applicable zoning
606 regulations. If the number of registered voters exceeds the
607 number allowed by the applicable zoning regulations, all
608 available sources must be utilized to determine if any voters at
609 that addresses have moved or become ineligible. If a voter is
610 determined to have moved, the supervisor of elections must
611 adhere to the procedures provided in subsection (4). If a voter
612 is determined to be ineligible, the supervisor of elections must
613 adhere to the procedures for removal pursuant to s. 98.075(7).

614 **Section 12. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) and subsection**
615 **(6) of section 98.075, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

616 98.075 Registration records maintenance activities;
617 ineligibility determinations.—

618 (3) DECEASED PERSONS.—

619 (b) The supervisor shall remove the name of a deceased
620 registered voter from the statewide voter registration system
621 within 7 days after receipt of a copy of a death certificate
622 issued by a governmental agency authorized to issue death
623 certificates or verified with information from Department of
624 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles records that the registered
625 voter is deceased.

626 (6) OTHER BASES FOR INELIGIBILITY.—Subsections (2)-(5) do
627 not limit or restrict the department or the supervisor in his or
628 her duty to act upon direct receipt of, access to, or knowledge
629 of information from any credible source ~~governmental entity~~ that
630 identifies a registered voter as potentially ineligible. If the
631 department or supervisor receives information from any credible
632 source ~~governmental entity~~ other than those identified in
633 subsections (2)-(5) that a registered voter is ineligible
634 because the voter is deceased, adjudicated a convicted felon
635 without having had his or her voting rights restored,
636 adjudicated mentally incapacitated without having had his or her
637 voting rights restored, does not meet the age requirement
638 pursuant to s. 97.041, is not a United States citizen, is a
639 fictitious person, has surrendered his or her driver license to
640 another state, or has listed an address that is not his or her
641 address of legal residence, the supervisor must adhere to the
642 procedures set forth in subsection (7) before the removal of the
643 name of a registered voter who is determined to be ineligible
644 from the statewide voter registration system.

645 (a) The following are deemed credible sources from which
646 the department or a supervisor may determine that an elector is
647 ineligible and subject to the procedures for removal set forth
648 in subsection (7) or has had a change of address and is subject
649 to the procedures required under s. 98.065(4):

650 1. An affidavit from a rental or group living facility

651 manager, verified with information from the Department of
652 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles records, county tax records,
653 or other credible sources.

654 2. An affidavit from a homeowner association manager,
655 verified with information from the Department of Highway Safety
656 and Motor Vehicles records, county tax records, or other
657 credible sources.

658 3. An affidavit from a county resident, verified with
659 information from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor
660 Vehicles records, county tax records, or other credible sources.

661 4. Social security death index licensees, provided that
662 the social security number matches the registered voter's social
663 security number and the information is verified by the
664 department or Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
665 personnel with direct access to the social security death index
666 file.

667 (b) If the information from such an affidavit or licensee
668 cannot be verified using a second credible source, the
669 supervisor must send an address confirmation to the registered
670 voter. If the registered voter does not respond to the address
671 confirmation within 30 days, the supervisor must send an address
672 confirmation final notice to the registered voter.

673 **Section 13. Subsection (1) of section 98.093, Florida**
674 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

675 98.093 Duty of officials to furnish information relating

676 to deceased persons, persons adjudicated mentally incapacitated,
677 persons convicted of a felony, and persons who are not United
678 States citizens.—

679 (1) DUTIES.—In order to identify ineligible registered
680 voters and maintain accurate and current voter registration
681 records in the statewide voter registration system pursuant to
682 procedures in s. 98.065 or s. 98.075, it is necessary for the
683 department and supervisors of elections to receive or access
684 certain information from state and federal officials and
685 entities in the format prescribed. To the maximum extent
686 feasible, state and local government agencies shall facilitate
687 provision of information and access to data to the department
688 and supervisors of elections, including, but not limited to,
689 databases and customized reports in a format that can be used by
690 election officials to compare with voter registration data to
691 identify registered voters who are ineligible due to ~~that~~
692 ~~contain reliable criminal records, and records of deceased~~
693 ~~status, surrendered driver licenses, a change of address, or~~
694 ~~citizenship status~~ persons. State and local government agencies
695 that provide such data must do so without charge if the direct
696 cost incurred by those agencies is not significant.

697 **Section 14. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 98.255,**
698 **Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

699 98.255 Voter education programs.—

700 (1) The Department of State shall adopt rules prescribing

701 minimum standards for nonpartisan voter education. The standards
 702 shall, at a minimum, address all of the following:

- 703 (a) Voter registration~~.~~
- 704 (b) Balloting procedures, by mail and polling place~~.~~
- 705 (c) Voter rights and responsibilities~~.~~
- 706 (d) Distribution of sample ballots~~.~~~~and~~
- 707 (e) The importance of and method for updating a voter's
 708 voter registration information and mailing address.
- 709 (f) The importance of and method for canceling a voter
 710 registration upon moving out of state.
- 711 (g)~~(e)~~ Public service announcements.

712 (2) Each county supervisor shall implement the minimum
 713 voter education standards, and shall conduct additional
 714 nonpartisan education efforts as necessary to ensure that voters
 715 have a working knowledge of the voting process. A county
 716 supervisor must provide equal education on all methods of
 717 voting.

718 **Section 15. Subsection (2) of section 101.043, Florida**
 719 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

720 101.043 Identification required at polls.-

721 (2) If the elector fails to furnish the required
 722 identification or if the identification provided denotes the
 723 elector as a non-citizen as provided under s. 322.141(5), the
 724 elector shall be allowed to vote a provisional ballot. The
 725 canvassing board shall determine the validity of the ballot

726 pursuant to s. 101.048(2).

727 **Section 16. Subsection (3) of section 101.6921, Florida**
 728 **Statutes, are amended to read:**

729 101.6921 Delivery of special vote-by-mail ballot to
 730 certain first-time voters.—

731 (3) The Voter's Certificate shall be in substantially the
 732 following form:

733 Note: Please Read Instructions Carefully Before Marking Ballot
 734 and Completing Voter's Certificate.

735 VOTER'S CERTIFICATE

736 I,, do solemnly swear or affirm that I am a qualified
 737 and registered voter of County, Florida, and that I have
 738 not and will not vote more than one ballot in this election. I
 739 understand that if I commit or attempt to commit any fraud in
 740 connection with voting, vote a fraudulent ballot, or vote more
 741 than once in an election, I can be convicted of a felony of the
 742 third degree and fined up to \$5,000 and/or imprisoned for up to
 743 5 years. I also understand that failure to sign this certificate
 744 will invalidate my ballot. I understand that unless I meet one
 745 of the exemptions below, I must provide a copy of a current and
 746 valid identification as provided in the instruction sheet to the
 747 supervisor of elections in order for my ballot to count.

748 I further certify that I am exempt from the requirements to
 749 furnish a copy of a current and valid identification with my
 750 ballot because of one or more of the following (check all that

751 apply):

752 ~~I am 65 years of age or older.~~

753 I have a permanent or temporary physical disability and
754 have a doctor's note.

755 I am a member of a uniformed service on active duty who,
756 by reason of such active duty, will be absent from the county on
757 election day and have included a copy of my current military
758 identification.

759 I am a member of the Merchant Marine who, by reason of
760 service in the Merchant Marine, will be absent from the county
761 on election day and I have included a copy of my current
762 Merchant Mariner identification.

763 I am the spouse or dependent of a member of the uniformed
764 service or Merchant Marine who, by reason of the active duty or
765 service of the member, will be absent from the county on
766 election day and have included a copy of my uniformed services
767 dependent identification.

768 I am currently residing outside the United States and
769 have included a copy of one of the following documents that
770 include my name and either the address where I reside in Florida
771 or the address where I currently reside:

- 772 1. Utility bill.
- 773 2. Bank statement.
- 774 3. Government check.
- 775 4. Paycheck.

801 authorized until 5 p.m. local time on the 2nd day after the
802 election.

803 2. Mark your ballot in secret as instructed on the ballot.
804 You must mark your own ballot unless you are unable to do so
805 because of blindness, disability, or inability to read or write.

806 3. Mark only the number of candidates or issue choices for
807 a race as indicated on the ballot. If you are allowed to "Vote
808 for One" candidate and you vote for more than one, your vote in
809 that race will not be counted.

810 4. Place your marked ballot in the enclosed secrecy
811 envelope and seal the envelope.

812 5. Insert the secrecy envelope into the enclosed envelope
813 bearing the Voter's Certificate. Seal the envelope and
814 completely fill out the Voter's Certificate on the back of the
815 envelope.

816 a. You must sign your name on the line above (Voter's
817 Signature).

818 b. If you are an overseas voter, you must include the date
819 you signed the Voter's Certificate on the line above (Date) or
820 your ballot may not be counted.

821 c. A vote-by-mail ballot will be considered illegal and
822 will not be counted if the signature on the Voter's Certificate
823 does not match the signature on record. The signature on file at
824 the start of the canvass of the vote-by-mail ballots is the
825 signature that will be used to verify your signature on the

826 Voter's Certificate. If you need to update your signature for
827 this election, send your signature update on a voter
828 registration application to your supervisor of elections so that
829 it is received before your vote-by-mail ballot is received.

830 6.a. If you have registered to vote without a driver
831 license or Florida identification card and have not previously
832 provided one of the following forms of identification to an
833 election official, unless you meet one of the exemptions in Item
834 7.a. 7., you must make a copy of one of the following forms of
835 identification as proof of voter eligibility:

836 (I)a. Identification which must include your name and
837 photograph: United States passport;

838 (II) United states birth certificate, accompanied by an
839 acceptable form of identification that contains the name and
840 photograph of the applicant;

841 (III) United States naturalization papers, accompanied by
842 an acceptable form of identification that contains the name and
843 photograph of the applicant;

844 (IV) A consular report of birth abroad provided by the
845 United States Department of State, accompanied by an acceptable
846 form of identification that contains the name and photograph of
847 the applicant; or

848 (V) A social security card that does not contain a work
849 restriction, accompanied by an acceptable form of identification
850 that contains the name and photograph of the applicant.

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 852 Acceptable form of identification for purposes of this
 853 subparagraph includes the following: debit or credit card;
 854 military identification; student identification; retirement
 855 center identification; ~~neighborhood association identification;~~
 856 public assistance identification; veteran health identification
 857 card issued by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs;
 858 a Florida license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm; or an
 859 employee identification card issued by any branch, department,
 860 agency, or entity of the Federal Government, the state, a
 861 county, or a municipality. ~~;~~

862 b. Unless you meet one of the exemptions in 7.b., you must
 863 make a copy of one of the following forms of identification
 864 which shows your name and current residence address as proof of
 865 residential address: current utility bill, bank statement,
 866 government check, paycheck, or government document (excluding
 867 voter information card).

868 7.a. The identification requirements of Item 6.a. ~~6.~~ do
 869 not apply if you meet one of the following requirements :

870 a. ~~You are 65 years of age or older.~~

871 (I)b. You have a temporary or permanent physical
 872 disability, as documented by a doctor's note provided to a voter
 873 registration official.

874 (II)c. You are a member of a uniformed service on active
 875 duty, as documented by a current military identification

876 provided to a voter registration official, who, by reason of
877 such active duty, will be absent from the county on election
878 day.

879 (III) ~~d.~~ You are a member of the Merchant Marine, as
880 documented by a current Merchant Marine identification provided
881 to a voter registration official, who, by reason of service in
882 the Merchant Marine, will be absent from the county on election
883 day.

884 (IV) ~~e.~~ You are the spouse or dependent of a member
885 referred to in paragraph (II) ~~e.~~ or paragraph (III) ~~d.~~ who, by
886 reason of the active duty or service of the member, will be
887 absent from the county on election day.

888 (V) ~~f.~~ You are currently residing outside the United
889 States.

890 b. If you are currently residing outside of the United
891 States you must provide one of the following:

892 (I) Any of the documents listed in 6.b. that are not
893 current, and a current document of the kind listing in 6.b. that
894 demonstrates that you reside outside of the United States.

895 (II) A Consular Report of Birth Abroad provided by the
896 United States Department of State and proof that your parents
897 previously resided in the state.

898 8. Place the envelope bearing the Voter's Certificate into
899 the mailing envelope addressed to the supervisor. Insert a copy
900 of your identification in the mailing envelope. DO NOT PUT YOUR

901 IDENTIFICATION INSIDE THE SECRECY ENVELOPE WITH THE BALLOT OR
 902 INSIDE THE ENVELOPE WHICH BEARS THE VOTER'S CERTIFICATE OR YOUR
 903 BALLOT WILL NOT COUNT.

904 9. Mail, deliver, or have delivered the completed mailing
 905 envelope. Be sure there is sufficient postage if mailed.

906 10. FELONY NOTICE. It is a felony under Florida law to
 907 accept any gift, payment, or gratuity in exchange for your vote
 908 for a candidate. It is also a felony under Florida law to vote
 909 in an election using a false identity or false address, or under
 910 any other circumstances making your ballot false or fraudulent.

911 **Section 18. Subsection (5) is added to section 322.141,**
 912 **Florida Statutes, to read:**

913 322.141 Color or markings of certain licenses or
 914 identification cards.—

915 (5) All licenses for the operation of motor vehicles or
 916 identification cards originally issued or reissued by the
 917 department to persons who are not citizens of the United States
 918 must have on the front of the license or identification card
 919 "NC" to denote that such individual is a noncitizen. For the
 920 purposes of this section, submission of any of the following
 921 documents is considered proof that the person is a noncitizen:

922 (a) Documents required pursuant to s. 322.08(2)(c)5., 7.,
 923 or 8.

924 (b) Documents required pursuant to s. 322.051(1)(a)3.e.,
 925 g., or h.

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926 | (c) A Type 2 or 3 social security card.

927 | **Section 19.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.