

VOTER REGISTRATION AMENDMENTS

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends a provision relating to voter registration.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ authorizes the lieutenant governor to compare the statewide voter registration database with information submitted by a registered voter to a state agency to identify a change of name or address;
- ▶ requires the lieutenant governor to:
 - establish measures to ensure the accuracy of a voter registration record; and
 - notify the county clerk of a change of name or address; and
- ▶ requires the county clerk to update the voter registration record and notify the registered voter.

Monies Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

32 AMENDS:

33 20A-2-109, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 285

34 ENACTS:

35 20A-2-304.5, Utah Code Annotated 1953



37 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

38 Section 1. Section 20A-2-109 is amended to read:

39 20A-2-109. **Statewide voter registration database -- Lieutenant governor to**
40 **create -- Counties to participate -- List of incarcerated felons.**

41 (1) (a) (i) The lieutenant governor shall develop a statewide voter registration
42 database.

43 (ii) (A) The lieutenant governor may compare the information in the statewide voter
44 registration database with information submitted by a registered voter to a state agency to
45 identify a change in a registered voter's principal place of residence or name.

46 (B) The lieutenant governor shall establish matching criteria and security measures for
47 identifying a change described in Subsection (1)(a)(ii)(A) to ensure the accuracy of a voter
48 registration record.

49 (C) The lieutenant governor shall notify the county clerk of the county in which the
50 voter's principal place of residence is located of the change in the registered voter's principal
51 place of residence or name.

52 (b) Each county clerk shall utilize the statewide voter registration database when
53 recording or modifying voter registration records.

54 (2) (a) The lieutenant governor shall maintain a current list of all incarcerated felons in
55 Utah.

56 (b) (i) The Department of Corrections shall provide the lieutenant governor's office
57 with a list of the name and last-known address of each person who:

58 (A) was convicted of a felony in a Utah state court; and

59 (B) is currently incarcerated for commission of a felony.

60 (ii) The lieutenant governor shall establish the frequency of receipt of the information
61 and the method of transmitting the information after consultation with the Department of
62 Corrections.

63 (c) (i) The Department of Corrections shall provide the lieutenant governor's office
64 with a list of the name of each convicted felon who is no longer subject to the jurisdiction of
65 the department because the person has been released from incarceration.

66 (ii) The lieutenant governor shall establish the frequency of receipt of the information
67 and the method of transmitting the information after consultation with the Department of
68 Corrections.

69 Section 2. Section **20A-2-304.5** is enacted to read:

70 **20A-2-304.5. County clerk's responsibilities -- Updating voter registration.**

71 (1) A county clerk who receives notification from the lieutenant governor, as provided
72 in Subsection 20A-2-109(1), of a change in a registered voter's principal place of residence or
73 name may verify the change with the registered voter.

74 (2) Unless the county clerk verifies that a change described in Subsection (1) is
75 incorrect, the county clerk shall:

76 (a) change the voter registration record to show the registered voter's current name and
77 address; and

78 (b) notify the registered voter of the change to the voter registration record.