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INTRODUCED BY DUSH, COLEMAN, MASTRIANO AND HUTCHINSON,
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REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, JUNE 14, 2023

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 25 (Elections) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in changes in records, providing for interstate
3 voter registration cross-check; and, in provisions contingent
4 on Federal law, further providing for removal of electors.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Title 25 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
8 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

9 § 1515. Interstate voter registration cross-check.

10 (a) Establishment.--For the purpose of maintaining a
11 Statewide voter registration list and preventing duplication of
12 registration in more than one state or jurisdiction, the
13 secretary:

14 (1) Shall cooperate with other states and jurisdictions
15 to develop systems to compare registered electors, voter
16 history and registration records to identify registered
17 electors:

18 (i) whose addresses have changed;

19 (ii) who have been convicted of a felony; or

1 (iii) who are registered to vote in more than one
2 state.

3 (2) May identify and contract with the provider of a
4 private sector data system, in accordance with subsection
5 (b), to identify registered electors:

6 (i) whose addresses have changed;

7 (ii) who are registered to vote in more than one
8 state;

9 (iii) who are deceased; or

10 (iv) who are not eligible to vote for any other
11 reason, including a felony conviction.

12 (b) Private sector data system.--The private sector data
13 system under subsection (a) (2) shall satisfy the following:

14 (1) The private sector data system must demonstrate an
15 ability to work with registered voter identification and
16 matching systems.

17 (2) The cost to begin operations with the private sector
18 data system shall not exceed \$100,000.

19 (3) The cost of continuing operations with the private
20 sector data system shall not exceed \$1 for each registered
21 elector identified under subsection (a) (2).

22 (4) A contract with the private sector data system shall
23 not require the department to complete any actions that are
24 not necessary to identify registered electors under
25 subsection (a) (2).

26 (5) The secretary shall not provide to the system any
27 information that is not contained in a district register and
28 necessary to identify registered electors under subsection
29 (a) (2).

30 (6) The private sector data system shall not provide,

1 release or exchange data received from the State to any party
2 other than a state or territory of the United States that
3 also contracts with the private sector data system.

4 (c) Compliance.--A system developed under this section shall
5 comply with:

6 (1) 52 U.S.C. Ch. 205 (relating to national voter
7 registration).

8 (2) 52 U.S.C. Ch. 209 (relating to election
9 administration improvement).

10 (d) Notification.--The department shall, immediately upon
11 identifying an individual reported ineligible under this
12 section, send the name and address of residence of the
13 individual to the appropriate commission in a manner and on a
14 form prescribed by the department. The commission shall cancel
15 the registration of the registered elector within 10 days of
16 receiving notification.

17 Section 2. Section 1901(a) of Title 25 is amended by adding
18 a paragraph to read:

19 § 1901. Removal of electors.

20 (a) Removal of elector's registration record.--Commissions
21 shall institute a program to protect the integrity of the
22 electoral process and to ensure the maintenance of accurate and
23 current registration records. The program shall be uniform,
24 nondiscriminatory and in compliance with the Voting Rights Act
25 of 1965 (Public Law 89-110, 42 U.S.C. § 1973 et seq.). An
26 elector's registration shall not be canceled except as follows:

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28 (5) Following notification in accordance with section
29 1515(d) (relating to interstate voter registration cross-
30 check).

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2 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.