

Session 125 - (2023-2024)

H 4261 General Bill, By Harris

Summary: Clean Voter Roll Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "CLEAN VOTER ROLL ACT"; BY ADDING SECTION 7-5-35 SO AS TO ENUMERATE CERTAIN DUTIES DEVOLVED UPON THE COUNTY BOARDS OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS RELATED TO VOTER LIST MAINTENANCE, TO REQUIRE SEPARATE MASTER FILES OF ACTIVE AND INACTIVE REGISTERED ELECTORS, AND TO REQUIRE THAT CERTAIN LISTS OR RECORDS BE FURNISHED UPON REQUEST AND FREE OF CHARGE TO A QUALIFIED ELECTOR; BY AMENDING SECTION 7-3-20, RELATING TO THE VARIOUS DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, SO AS TO REMOVE CERTAIN DUTIES DEVOLVED UPON THE COUNTY BOARDS OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS RELATING TO LIST MAINTENANCE, AND TO REQUIRE THAT CERTAIN LISTS BE FURNISHED UPON REQUEST AND FREE OF CHARGE TO A QUALIFIED ELECTOR; BY AMENDING SECTION 7-5-186, RELATING TO THE STATEWIDE VOTER REGISTRATION DATABASE, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES, AND TO PROHIBIT THE SHARING OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION OR DATA WITH THIRD-PARTY NONPROFIT GROUPS OR ENTITIES; BY AMENDING SECTION 7-5-320, RELATING TO A MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENSE APPLICATION SERVING AS AN APPLICATION FOR VOTER REGISTRATION, SO AS TO, AMONG OTHER THINGS, CLARIFY THAT CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORMS ACCEPTED AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES MUST ALSO BE TIMELY TRANSMITTED TO THE COUNTY BOARDS OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 7-5-340, RELATING TO DUTIES OF THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION REGARDING THE REMOVAL OF ELECTORS FROM THE OFFICIAL LIST OF ELIGIBLE VOTERS, SO AS TO DEVOLVE THESE DUTIES UPON THE COUNTY BOARDS OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS, AND TO REQUIRE ANY ELECTOR INCLUDED ON THE MASTER FILE OF INACTIVE REGISTERED VOTERS TO PRODUCE A CURRENT AND VALID PHOTOGRAPHIC IDENTIFICATION TO BE RETURNED TO THE MASTER FILE OF ACTIVE QUALIFIED ELECTORS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 7-5-350, RELATING TO THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION'S ANNUAL VOTER LIST MAINTENANCE REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, SO AS TO, AMONG OTHER THINGS, REQUIRE THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION TO REPORT ON ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COUNTY BOARDS OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS TO MAINTAIN THE ACCURACY OF COUNTY MASTER VOTER REGISTRATION FILES.

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