A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled

"Michigan election law,"

by amending sections 509o and 510 (MCL 168.509o and 168.510),

section 509o as amended by 2018 PA 126.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1   Sec. 509o. (1) The secretary of state shall direct and

2 supervise the establishment and maintenance of a statewide

3 qualified voter file. The secretary of state shall establish the

4 technology to implement the qualified voter file. The qualified

5 voter file is the official file for the conduct of all elections

6 held in this state. The secretary of state may direct that all or

7 any part of the city or township **voter** registration files must be

8 used in conjunction with the qualified voter file at the first

1   state primary and election held after the creation of the qualified

2   voter file.

3   (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the

4   contrary, an individual who appears to vote in an election and

5   whose name appears in the qualified voter file for that city,

6   township, or school district is considered a registered voter of

7   that city, township, or school district under this act.

8   (3) The secretary of state, a designated voter registration

9   agency, or a county, city, or township clerk shall not place a name

10 of an individual into the qualified voter file unless that

11 individual signs an application as prescribed in section 509r(3).

12 The secretary of state or a designated voter registration agency

13 shall not allow an individual to indicate a different address than

14 the address in either the secretary of state's or designated voter

15 registration agency's files to be placed in the qualified voter

16 file.

17   (4) The secretary of state shall develop and utilize a process

18 by which information obtained through the United States Social

19 Security Administration's death master file that is used to cancel

20 an operator's or chauffeur's license issued under the Michigan

21 vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923, or an official

22 state personal identification card issued under 1972 PA 222, MCL

23 28.291 to 28.300, of a deceased resident of this state is also used

24 at least once a month to update the qualified voter file to cancel

25 the voter registration of any elector determined to be deceased.

26 The secretary of state shall make the canceled voter registration

27 information under this subsection available to the clerk of each

28 **county**, city, or township to assist with the clerk's obligations

29 under section 510.

1   (5) Subject to this subsection, the secretary of state shall

2   participate with other states in 1 or more recognized multistate

3   programs or services, if available, to assist in the verification

4   of the current residence and voter registration status of electors.

5   The secretary of state shall not participate in any recognized

6   multistate program or service described in this subsection that

7   requires this state to promote or adopt legislation as a condition

8   of participation in that program or service. In addition, the

9   secretary of state shall not participate in any recognized

10   multistate program or service described in this subsection if the

11   secretary of state determines that data of that program or service

12   are not being adequately secured or protected. The secretary of

13   state shall follow the procedures under section 509aa(5) with

14   regard to any electors affected by information obtained through any

15   multistate program or service.

16   Sec. 510. **(1)** ~~At~~ **Except as otherwise provided in subsection**

17   **(5), at** least once a month, ~~the~~ **and not later than the second**

18   **business day of each month, each** county clerk shall ~~forward a list~~

19   ~~of the last known address and birth date~~ **update the qualified voter**

20   **file to cancel the voter registration** of all ~~persons~~ **individuals**

21   over 18 years of age who have died ~~within~~ **in** the county. ~~to the~~

22   ~~clerk of each city or township within the county. The~~

23   **(2) Each time a county clerk updates the qualified voter file**

24   **under subsection (1) or (5), the secretary of state shall send an**

25   **electronic notification to the appropriate city or township clerk**

26   **regarding each canceled voter registration in that city or**

27   **township.**

28   **(3) Upon receiving an electronic notification under subsection**

29   **(2), the** city or township clerk shall compare ~~this list~~ **the**

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1 **electronic notification** with the **voter** registration records **in that**
2 **city or township** and ~~cancel~~ **complete the cancellation of** the **voter**
3 registration of ~~all~~ **each** deceased ~~electors.~~**elector in that city or**
4 **township.**

5   **(4) If the secretary of state updates the qualified voter file**
6 **to cancel the voter registration of any deceased elector, the**
7 **secretary of state shall send an electronic notification to the**
8 **appropriate city or township clerk regarding each canceled voter**
9 **registration in that city or township. The secretary of state shall**
10 **notify each appropriate city or township clerk of any voter**
11 **registration that needs to be canceled after 4 p.m. on the day**
12 **before an election so that the city or township clerk can cancel**
13 **the voter registration.**

14   **(5) Beginning 45 days before an election and continuing until**
15 **16 days before an election, each county clerk shall update the**
16 **qualified voter file by the close of business each Friday before**
17 **the election to cancel the voter registration of all individuals**
18 **over 18 years of age who have died in the county. Beginning 15 days**
19 **before an election and continuing until the day before an election,**
20 **each county clerk shall update the qualified voter file by the**
21 **close of business each business day before the election to cancel**
22 **the voter registration of all individuals over 18 years of age who**
23 **have died in the county. Each county clerk shall notify each**
24 **appropriate city or township clerk in the county of any voter**
25 **registration that needs to be canceled after 4 p.m. on the day**
26 **before an election so that the city or township clerk can cancel**
27 **the voter registration.**

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