

**SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 4983**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending sections 493a, 500a, 501, 509o, 509q, and 509r (MCL 168.493a, 168.500a, 168.501, 168.509o, 168.509q, and 168.509r), section 493a as added by 2018 PA 603, sections 500a, 501, and 509r as amended by 2018 PA 125, section 509o as amended by 2022 PA 195, and section 509q as amended by 2020 PA 302, and by adding section 493b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 493a. (1) Subject to ~~subsections (2) and (3),~~ **this**
2 **section,** the secretary of state shall automatically register to
3 vote each individual who meets the qualifications of an elector
4 under section 492 and who submits an application for an operator's



1 or chauffeur's license issued under the Michigan vehicle code, 1949
2 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923, an official state personal
3 identification card issued under 1972 PA 222, MCL 28.291 to 28.300,
4 or an enhanced driver license or enhanced official state personal
5 identification card issued under the enhanced driver license and
6 enhanced official state personal identification card act, 2008 PA
7 23, MCL 28.301 to 28.308. In addition, subject to ~~subsections (2)~~
8 ~~and (3)~~, **this section**, the secretary of state shall automatically
9 register to vote each individual who meets the qualifications of an
10 elector under section 492 and who submits a change of address
11 application for an operator's or chauffeur's license issued under
12 the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923, an
13 official state personal identification card issued under 1972 PA
14 222, MCL 28.291 to 28.300, or an enhanced driver license or
15 enhanced official state personal identification card issued under
16 the enhanced driver license and enhanced official state personal
17 identification card act, 2008 PA 23, MCL 28.301 to 28.308.

18 **(2) Subject to this subsection, for each individual who**
19 **submits an application under subsection (1) or who is issued a**
20 **graduated licensing status under section 310e of the Michigan**
21 **vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.310e, who provides or has**
22 **provided documentation demonstrating United States citizenship, and**
23 **who is of sufficient age to register to vote, the secretary of**
24 **state shall, if the individual is not already registered to vote in**
25 **this state, add the information required under section 509q(1) (a),**
26 **(b), and (g) to the qualified voter file for that individual and**
27 **electronically forward the individual's information to the clerk of**
28 **the city or township in which the individual resides to have the**
29 **clerk register that individual to vote. For an individual**



1 registered to vote under this subsection, the qualified voter file
2 must include an indication that the individual was registered to
3 vote under this subsection. Subject to this subsection, the
4 secretary of state shall send to the individual's residence
5 address, by nonforwardable mail, a notice that the individual has
6 been registered to vote and a postage prepaid and preaddressed
7 return form by which the individual may decline the voter
8 registration. The secretary of state shall prescribe the form of
9 the notice described in this subsection. In addition, the secretary
10 of state shall develop procedures for processing a voter
11 registration under this subsection for an individual who has
12 previously declined voter registration under subsection (4).

13 (3) The notice mailed to an individual under subsection (2)
14 must include all of the following:

15 (a) An explanation of the eligibility requirements to register
16 to vote, and a statement that if the individual is not eligible to
17 vote, the individual must decline the voter registration by using
18 the postage prepaid and preaddressed return form.

19 (b) A statement that an individual may decline the voter
20 registration. The statement must also indicate that if the
21 individual declines the voter registration, the fact that the
22 individual declined the voter registration remains confidential and
23 can be used only for purposes of voter registration statistics. The
24 statement must also indicate that if the individual remains
25 registered to vote, the office at which the individual was
26 registered to vote remains confidential and can be used only for
27 voter registration purposes.

28 (c) Information on how a registered elector may cast an absent
29 voter ballot.



1 (4) If an individual returns a notice mailed under subsection
 2 (2) and declines the voter registration, that individual is
 3 considered to never have been registered to vote and any
 4 information added to the qualified voter file for that individual
 5 must be removed. However, if an individual has voted in an election
 6 and then returns a notice mailed under subsection (2) that declines
 7 the voter registration, the secretary of state's office shall
 8 contact that individual to determine whether the individual wishes
 9 to decline the voter registration or remain registered to vote.

10 (5) If a notice mailed under subsection (2) is returned to the
 11 secretary of state by the post office as undeliverable, the
 12 qualified voter file must generate a notification to the clerk of
 13 the city or township in which that individual resides to have the
 14 clerk mail the individual a notice required under section 509aa(3).
 15 If an individual returns a notice mailed under subsection (2)
 16 without selecting the option to decline the voter registration, the
 17 individual remains registered to vote.

18 (6) ~~(2) For purposes of~~ Subject to this subsection, for each
 19 individual who submits an application under subsection (1) who has
 20 not provided documentation demonstrating United States citizenship,
 21 but who is of sufficient age to register to vote, the secretary of
 22 state shall ~~only automatically offer to~~ register to vote ~~an~~ **that**
 23 individual ~~who if the individual~~ indicates on ~~his or her~~ **the**
 24 **individual's** operator's or chauffeur's license application,
 25 official state personal identification card application, or change
 26 of address application that ~~he or she~~ **the individual** is a citizen
 27 of the United States.

28 ~~(3)~~ The secretary of state shall **add the information required**
 29 **under section 509q(1) (a), (b), and (g) to the qualified voter file**



1 for each elector registered under this subsection and shall
 2 electronically forward the name of each elector registered under
 3 this subsection to the clerk of the city or township in which each
 4 elector resides to have the clerk register that individual to vote.
 5 For an individual registered under this subsection, the qualified
 6 voter file must include an indication that the individual was
 7 registered to vote under this subsection. For purposes of this
 8 subsection only, the secretary of state shall not automatically
 9 register to vote an individual **under this subsection** who indicates
 10 on the **individual's** operator's or chauffeur's license application,
 11 official state personal identification card application, ~~enhanced~~
 12 ~~driver license application, enhanced official state personal~~
 13 ~~identification card application,~~ or change of address application
 14 that ~~he or she~~ **the individual** declines to use the application as a
 15 voter registration application. The secretary of state shall not
 16 transmit any information to the qualified voter file regarding any
 17 individual who declines **under this subsection** to use an application
 18 described in this section as a voter registration application. **In**
 19 **addition, the secretary of state shall not provide an opportunity**
 20 **to register to vote or automatically register to vote any**
 21 **individual who, when submitting an application under subsection**
 22 **(1), provides documentation demonstrating that the individual is**
 23 **not a United States citizen.**

24 ~~(4) The secretary of state shall add any information required~~
 25 ~~under section 509g to the qualified voter file for each elector~~
 26 ~~registered under subsection (1) and shall forward the name of each~~
 27 ~~elector registered under this section to the clerk of the city or~~
 28 ~~township in which each elector registered resides.~~

29 **(7) The secretary of state shall use the procedures in**



1 subsections (2) to (6) to preregister any individual who meets the
2 qualifications to preregister to vote under section 496a and who
3 submits an application under subsection (1). The procedures in
4 subsections (2) to (5) must be used for each individual who submits
5 an application under subsection (1), or who is issued a graduated
6 licensing status under section 310e of the Michigan vehicle code,
7 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.310e, who provides or has provided
8 documentation demonstrating United States citizenship, and who is
9 of sufficient age to preregister to vote. The notice and procedures
10 required in subsections (2) to (5) must be modified to reflect that
11 the individual has been preregistered to vote, not registered to
12 vote. The procedures in subsection (6) must be used for each
13 individual who submits an application under subsection (1) and who
14 has not provided documentation demonstrating United States
15 citizenship, but is of sufficient age to preregister to vote,
16 except that the secretary of state shall not provide an opportunity
17 to preregister to vote or automatically preregister to vote any
18 individual who, at the time of submitting an application under
19 subsection (1), provides documentation demonstrating that the
20 individual is not a United States citizen.

21 (8) ~~(5)~~—An individual who is not eligible to vote and who,
22 without intending to register to vote, becomes registered to vote
23 through human or mechanical error is not considered to have
24 knowingly intended to register to vote in violation of section 519.

25 (9) If an individual who is not eligible to vote becomes
26 registered to vote under this section or section 493b and votes or
27 attempts to vote in an election held after the effective date of
28 the individual's voter registration, that individual is presumed to
29 have a defense for a violation under section 932a(c). This



1 subsection does not apply to an individual who knowingly and
2 willfully makes a false statement to effectuate voter registration
3 or who intentionally takes voluntary action to register to vote or
4 vote knowing that the individual is not entitled to vote.

5 (10) Nothing in this section shall be construed to amend the
6 substantive qualifications for voter registration in this state, or
7 to require documentary proof of United States citizenship for voter
8 registration.

9 (11) The secretary of state shall publicly release data
10 reports, as described in this subsection, on a monthly basis. The
11 data reports must not include any personally identifying
12 information, must be subcategorized by sex and age of the
13 individuals included, and must include all of the following
14 information:

15 (a) The number of individuals registered to vote or
16 preregistered to vote under the procedures in subsections (2) to
17 (5).

18 (b) The number of individuals who declined voter registration
19 or voter preregistration under the procedures in subsections (2) to
20 (5).

21 (c) The number of individuals registered to vote or
22 preregistered to vote under the procedures in subsection (6).

23 (d) The number of individuals who declined voter registration
24 or voter preregistration under the procedures in subsection (6).

25 (e) The number of individuals whose voter registration or
26 voter preregistration was updated pursuant to the requirement under
27 sections 509o and 509r that the secretary of state use the
28 residence address provided on a driver license or state personal
29 identification card application as the applicant's residence



1 address in the qualified voter file.

2 Sec. 493b. (1) If the secretary of state verifies that a state
3 agency in the regular course of business collects sufficient
4 information, including through documents or database verification,
5 to confirm the eligibility for voter registration or the updating
6 of information for an existing voter registration, the secretary of
7 state may designate that state agency as an automatic voter
8 registration agency. Once a state agency is designated as an
9 automatic voter registration agency, that state agency must not be
10 removed as an automatic voter registration agency unless it is
11 shown that the state agency no longer collects sufficient
12 information to confirm the eligibility for voter registration or
13 the updating of information for an existing voter registration.

14 (2) If a state agency is designated as an automatic voter
15 registration agency under subsection (1), that state agency and the
16 secretary of state shall jointly establish a procedure and schedule
17 for automatically and electronically transmitting voter
18 registration information from the state agency to the secretary of
19 state for those individuals who are eligible to register to vote or
20 preregister to vote, or to update information in the qualified
21 voter file for those individuals who are already registered to vote
22 or preregistered to vote. Subject to any instructions issued and
23 determined necessary by the secretary of state to conform with a
24 designated state agency transaction, each designated state agency
25 under subsection (1), the secretary of state, and the clerk of each
26 city and township must comply with the procedures under section
27 493a for automatically registering and preregistering individuals
28 to vote.

29 (3) If information is received under subsection (2) for an



1 individual who is already registered to vote or preregistered to
2 vote, the secretary of state shall use the most recent information
3 for the residence address or name of the individual received from
4 the state agency to update the individual's information in the
5 qualified voter file. The secretary of state shall send to the
6 individual's new residence address, by forwardable mail, notice of
7 the change and a postage prepaid and preaddressed return form by
8 which the individual may verify or correct the information. If the
9 individual returns the notice and indicates that the change to the
10 individual's record was in error, the secretary of state must
11 immediately revert the individual's updated information in the
12 qualified voter file to the information as it existed before the
13 update.

14 (4) Subject to compliance with all applicable federal laws and
15 regulations, as part of an application for Medicaid coverage to the
16 department of health and human services, the department of health
17 and human services shall automatically and electronically transmit
18 the information required under section 509q(1)(a), either the
19 information required under section 509q(1)(b) or the last 4 digits
20 of the individual's Social Security number, and the individual's
21 digitized signature, if available, to the secretary of state for
22 each individual who is of sufficient age to register to vote or
23 preregister to vote and who is verified as a United States citizen.
24 Subject to any instructions issued and determined necessary by the
25 secretary of state to conform with the structure of a department of
26 health and human services application, in processing the
27 information received from the department of health and human
28 services under this subsection, the secretary of state and each
29 city or township clerk shall comply with the requirements



1 established under section 493a(2) to (5) and (7) for automatically
2 registering and preregistering individuals to vote, and the
3 requirements established under subsection (3) for updating
4 information for individuals who are already registered to vote or
5 preregistered to vote.

6 (5) Subject to compliance with all applicable federal laws and
7 regulations, an Indian nation or tribe located in this state may,
8 at its discretion, submit a request to the secretary of state for
9 approval to allow the governing body of the Indian nation or tribe,
10 or an election board, election official, or other designated
11 representative of the Indian nation or tribe, to electronically
12 submit the information required under section 509q(1) (a), either
13 the information required under section 509q(1) (b) or the last 4
14 digits of the individual's Social Security number, and the
15 individual's digitized signature, if available, for any tribal
16 member to the secretary of state for the purpose of registering and
17 preregistering tribal members to vote or for updating the
18 registration or preregistration information of tribal members. If
19 an Indian nation or tribe submits a request under this subsection
20 and the Indian nation's or tribe's governing body, election board,
21 election official, or other designated representative collects
22 sufficient information, including through documents or database
23 verification, to confirm the eligibility for registration or for
24 updating the information for an existing voter registration, the
25 secretary of state shall enter into a memorandum of understanding
26 with the Indian nation or tribe regarding transmission and
27 processing of information for purposes of voter registration.
28 Subject to any instructions issued and determined necessary by the
29 secretary of state to conform with Indian nation or tribal



1 procedures, in processing information received under this
2 subsection, the secretary of state and each city or township clerk
3 shall comply with the requirements established under section
4 493a(2) to (5) and (7) for automatically registering and
5 preregistering individuals to vote, and the requirements
6 established under subsection (3) for updating information for
7 individuals who are already registered to vote or preregistered to
8 vote.

9 (6) The secretary of state and the department of corrections
10 shall coordinate to ensure that eligible individuals are
11 automatically registered to vote, with the opportunity to decline
12 the voter registration, on release from incarceration imposed as a
13 sentence for a crime. Subject to this subsection, for individuals
14 scheduled to be released on parole, or discharged on completion of
15 the individual's maximum sentence, and who will be issued an
16 operator's or chauffeur's license under the Michigan vehicle code,
17 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923, an official state personal
18 identification card under 1972 PA 222, MCL 28.291 to 28.300, or an
19 enhanced driver license or enhanced official state personal
20 identification card under the enhanced driver license and enhanced
21 official state personal identification card act, 2008 PA 23, MCL
22 28.301 to 28.308, the secretary of state and the department of
23 corrections shall use the procedures under section 493a(2) to (7)
24 to comply with this subsection. However, an individual must not be
25 registered to vote until the individual's release on parole or
26 discharge on completion of the individual's maximum sentence. The
27 procedures under section 493a(2) to (5) must be used for each
28 individual who submits an application for an operator's or
29 chauffeur's license under the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300,



1 MCL 257.1 to 257.923, an official state personal identification
2 card under 1972 PA 222, MCL 28.291 to 28.300, or an enhanced driver
3 license or enhanced official state personal identification card
4 under the enhanced driver license and enhanced official state
5 personal identification card act, 2008 PA 23, MCL 28.301 to 28.308,
6 who provides or has provided documentation demonstrating United
7 States citizenship, and who is of sufficient age to register to
8 vote. The notice and procedures required under section 493a(2) to
9 (5) must be modified to reflect that the individual is not
10 registered to vote until released on parole or discharged on
11 completion of the individual's maximum sentence. Subject to this
12 subsection, the procedures under section 493a(6) must be used for
13 each individual who submits an application for an operator's or
14 chauffeur's license under the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300,
15 MCL 257.1 to 257.923, or an official state personal identification
16 card under 1972 PA 222, MCL 28.291 to 28.300, and who has not
17 provided documentation demonstrating United States citizenship but
18 is of sufficient age to register to vote. However, the secretary of
19 state shall not provide an opportunity to register to vote or
20 automatically register to vote any individual who, at the time of
21 submitting an application for an operator's or chauffeur's license
22 under the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923,
23 or an official state personal identification card under 1972 PA
24 222, MCL 28.291 to 28.300, provides documentation demonstrating
25 that the individual is not a United States citizen. The secretary
26 of state and the department of corrections shall jointly ensure
27 that an individual is not registered to vote under this subsection
28 until the individual has been released on parole or discharged on
29 completion of the individual's maximum sentence. For any individual



1 who is released from incarceration imposed as a sentence for a
 2 crime and who is not otherwise subject to this subsection, the
 3 department of corrections and the secretary of state shall, as
 4 provided under subsection (2), jointly establish a procedure and
 5 schedule for automatically and electronically transmitting voter
 6 registration information from the department of corrections to the
 7 secretary of state for those individuals who are eligible to
 8 register or preregister to vote.

9 (7) The secretary of state shall develop procedures for
 10 processing electronic records received from a state agency
 11 designated as an automatic voter registration agency, or from an
 12 Indian nation or tribe under this section, that do not include a
 13 digitized image of the applicant's signature.

14 Sec. 500a. ~~(1)~~The secretary of state or the secretary of
 15 state's agent shall ~~afford~~**ensure that** an individual who appears in
 16 a department of state branch office or an individual who applies
 17 for renewal of an operator's or chauffeur's license under section
 18 307 of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.307, **is**
 19 **afforded** an opportunity ~~to complete an application to register to~~
 20 ~~vote or to change the individual's voting registration name or~~
 21 ~~address, if the applicant possesses the qualifications of an~~
 22 ~~elector on the date of application or will possess the~~
 23 ~~qualifications at the next election. This subsection~~**section** ~~does~~
 24 ~~not require a registered elector to periodically reregister or to~~
 25 ~~renew his or her~~**the elector's** registration. ~~The application for~~
 26 ~~registration made under this section must contain all of the~~
 27 ~~information required for a registration application as provided in~~
 28 ~~section 495.~~

29 ~~(2) The applicant shall sign the application. Upon receipt of~~



1 ~~the application, the agent shall sign the application and provide~~
2 ~~the applicant with a receipt verifying the registration~~
3 ~~application. The agent shall promptly forward the application to~~
4 ~~the county clerk of the applicant's residence or to a city or~~
5 ~~township clerk designated by the secretary of state.~~

6 Sec. 501. The master registration cards must be filed
7 alphabetically and must be termed the "master file". ~~The~~ **Subject to**
8 **section 493b(7), the** master file must contain the signature of each
9 elector registered in the city or township, unless the clerk of the
10 jurisdiction has access to the qualified voter file and the elector
11 has a digitized signature in the qualified voter file. If an
12 elector is unable to write, or sign ~~his or her~~ **the elector's** name
13 because of a physical disability, the master file must contain the
14 mark or signature stamp used by that elector when a signature is
15 required.

16 Sec. 509o. (1) The secretary of state shall direct and
17 supervise the establishment and maintenance of a statewide
18 qualified voter file. The secretary of state shall establish the
19 technology to implement the qualified voter file. The qualified
20 voter file is the official file for the conduct of all elections
21 held in this state. The secretary of state may direct that all or
22 any part of the city or township voter registration files must be
23 used in conjunction with the qualified voter file at the first
24 state primary and election held after the creation of the qualified
25 voter file.

26 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
27 contrary, an individual who appears to vote in an election and
28 whose name appears in the qualified voter file for that city,
29 township, or school district is considered a registered voter



1 **elector** of that city, township, or school district under this act.

2 (3) The secretary of state, a designated voter registration
3 agency, or a county, city, or township clerk shall not place a name
4 of an individual into the qualified voter file unless that
5 individual signs an application as prescribed in section 509r(3),
6 **or is registered to vote or preregistered to vote under section**
7 **493a or 493b.** The secretary of state or a designated voter
8 registration agency shall not allow an individual to indicate a
9 different address than the address in either the secretary of
10 state's or designated voter registration agency's files to be
11 placed in the qualified voter file.

12 (4) The secretary of state shall develop and utilize a process
13 by which information obtained through the United States Social
14 Security Administration's death master file that is used to cancel
15 an operator's or chauffeur's license issued under the Michigan
16 vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923, or an official
17 state personal identification card issued under 1972 PA 222, MCL
18 28.291 to 28.300, of a deceased resident of this state is also used
19 at least once a month to update the qualified voter file to cancel
20 the voter registration of any elector determined to be deceased.
21 The secretary of state shall make the canceled voter registration
22 information under this subsection available to the clerk of each
23 county, city, or township to assist with the clerk's obligations
24 under section 510.

25 (5) Subject to this subsection, the secretary of state shall
26 participate with other states in 1 or more recognized multistate
27 programs or services, if available, to assist in the verification
28 of the current residence and voter registration status of electors.
29 The secretary of state shall not participate in any recognized



1 multistate program or service described in this subsection that
 2 requires this state to promote or adopt legislation as a condition
 3 of participation in that program or service. In addition, the
 4 secretary of state shall not participate in any recognized
 5 multistate program or service described in this subsection if the
 6 secretary of state determines that data of that program or service
 7 are not being adequately secured or protected. The secretary of
 8 state shall follow the procedures under section 509aa(5) with
 9 regard to any electors affected by information obtained through any
 10 multistate program or service.

11 Sec. 509q. (1) Subject to subsection (2), the qualified voter
 12 file must contain all of the following information for each
 13 qualified voter:

14 (a) The name; residence address including house number and
 15 street name or rural route and box number, and the apartment
 16 number, if any; city; state; zip code; and date of birth.

17 (b) The driver license number or state personal identification
 18 card number or similar number issued by a designated voter
 19 registration agency.

20 (c) Jurisdictional information including county and city or
 21 township; village, if any; metropolitan district, if any; and
 22 school district.

23 (d) Precinct numbers and ward numbers, if any.

24 (e) Any other information that the secretary of state
 25 determines is necessary to assess the eligibility of qualified
 26 electors or to administer voter registration or other aspects of
 27 the election process.

28 (f) Voting history for a 5-year period.

29 (g) ~~The most recent~~ **Subject to section 493b(7), the** digitized



1 ~~signature~~**signatures** of an elector if captured or reproduced by the
 2 secretary of state or a county, city, or township clerk from a
 3 voter registration application under section 509hh, or captured or
 4 reproduced by the secretary of state under section 307 of the
 5 Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.307.

6 (2) If a qualified voter is a program participant, as that
 7 term is defined in **section 3 of** the address confidentiality program
 8 act, **2020 PA 301, MCL 780.853**, the qualified voter file must also
 9 contain the program participant's unique identification number
 10 issued by the department of the attorney general.

11 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if a
 12 qualified voter is a program participant, as that term is defined
 13 in **section 3 of** the address confidentiality program act, **2020 PA**
 14 **301, MCL 780.853**, the information contained in the qualified voter
 15 file for that program participant, including ~~his or her~~**the program**
 16 **participant's** unique identification number issued by the department
 17 of the attorney general, is confidential and not subject to
 18 disclosure under the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL
 19 15.231 to 15.246. The information contained in the qualified voter
 20 file for a program participant, as that term is defined in **section**
 21 **3 of** the address confidentiality program act, **2020 PA 301, MCL**
 22 **780.853**, may be used by an election official during the normal
 23 course of ~~his or her~~**the election official's** duties as an election
 24 official.

25 Sec. 509r. (1) The secretary of state shall establish and
 26 maintain the computer system and programs necessary to the
 27 operation of the qualified voter file. The secretary of state shall
 28 allow each county, city, or township access to the qualified voter
 29 file. The county, city, and township clerks shall verify the



1 accuracy of the names and addresses of registered electors in the
2 qualified voter file.

3 (2) Subject to subsection (3), the secretary of state and
4 county, city, and township clerks shall compile the qualified voter
5 file that consists of all qualified electors from the following
6 sources and in the following priority:

7 (a) A driver license or, if there is no driver license, a
8 state personal identification card, including renewals and changes
9 of address with the department of state.

10 (b) An application for benefits or services, including
11 renewals and changes of address, taken by a designated voter
12 registration agency.

13 (c) An application to register to vote taken by a county,
14 city, or township clerk.

15 (3) An individual whose name does not otherwise appear in the
16 qualified voter file, **or whose name has not been added to the**
17 **qualified voter file under section 493a or 493b**, must be placed in
18 the qualified voter file only if the individual signs under penalty
19 of perjury an application that contains an attestation that the
20 applicant meets all of the following requirements:

21 (a) Is 17-1/2 years of age or older.

22 (b) Is a citizen of the United States and this state.

23 (c) Is a resident of the city or township where the
24 individual's street address is located.

25 (4) A designated voter registration agency or a county, city,
26 township, or village clerk shall not add to, delete from, or change
27 any information contained in the qualified voter file during the
28 period beginning on the seventh day before an election and ending
29 on the day of the election.



1 (5) The secretary of state shall create an inactive voter
2 file.

3 (6) If an elector is sent a notice under section 509aa to
4 confirm the elector's residence information or if an elector does
5 not vote for 6 consecutive years, the secretary of state shall
6 place the registration record of that elector in the inactive voter
7 file. The registration record of that elector must remain in the
8 inactive voter file until 1 of the following occurs:

9 (a) The elector votes at an election.

10 (b) The elector responds to a notice sent under section 509aa.

11 (c) Another voter registration transaction involving that
12 elector occurs.

13 (7) While the registration record of an elector is in the
14 inactive voter file, the elector remains eligible to vote and ~~his~~
15 ~~or her~~ **the elector's** name must appear on the precinct voter
16 registration list.

17 (8) If the registration record of an elector is in the
18 inactive voter file because the elector was sent a notice under
19 section 509aa to confirm the elector's residence information and
20 that elector votes at an election by absent voter ballot, that
21 absent voter ballot must be marked in the same manner as a
22 challenged ballot as provided in section 727.

23 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect June 30,
24 2025.

25 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
26 unless House Bill No. 4569 of the 102nd Legislature is enacted into
27 law.

