

HOUSE BILL NO. 4983

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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
5 or chauffeur's license issued under the Michigan vehicle code, 1949
6 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923, an official state personal
7 identification card issued under 1972 PA 222, MCL 28.291 to 28.300,
8 or an enhanced driver license or enhanced official state personal
9 identification card issued under the enhanced driver license and
10 enhanced official state personal identification card act, 2008 PA
11 23, MCL 28.301 to 28.308. In addition, subject to ~~subsections (2)~~
12 ~~and (3),~~ **this section**, the secretary of state shall automatically
13 register to vote each individual who meets the qualifications of an
14 elector under section 492 and who submits a change of address
15 application for an operator's or chauffeur's license issued under
16 the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923, an
17 official state personal identification card issued under 1972 PA
18 222, MCL 28.291 to 28.300, or an enhanced driver license or
19 enhanced official state personal identification card issued under
20 the enhanced driver license and enhanced official state personal
21 identification card act, 2008 PA 23, MCL 28.301 to 28.308.

22 **(2) For each individual who submits an application under**
23 **subsection (1) or who is issued a graduated licensing status under**
24 **section 310e of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL**
25 **257.310e, who provides or has provided documentation demonstrating**
26 **United States citizenship, and who is of sufficient age to register**
27 **to vote, the secretary of state shall, if the individual is not**
28 **already registered to vote in this state, add the information**
29 **required under section 509q(1) (a), (b), and (g) to the qualified**

1 voter file for that individual and electronically forward the
2 individual's information to the clerk of the city or township in
3 which the individual resides to have the clerk register that
4 individual to vote. For an individual registered to vote under this
5 subsection, the qualified voter file must include an indication
6 that the individual was registered to vote under this subsection.
7 The secretary of state shall send to the individual's residence
8 address, by nonforwardable mail, a notice that the individual has
9 been registered to vote and a postage prepaid and preaddressed
10 return form by which the individual may decline the voter
11 registration. The secretary of state shall prescribe the form of
12 the notice described in this subsection.

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 register to vote ~~an~~ that individual
23 ~~who~~ if the individual indicates on ~~his or her~~ the individual's
24 operator's or chauffeur's license application, official state
25 personal identification card application, or change of address
26 application that ~~he or she~~ the individual is a citizen of the
27 United States. ~~(3)~~ The secretary of state shall add the information
28 required under section 509q(1)(a), (b), and (g) to the qualified
29 voter file for each elector registered under this subsection and

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

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

28 **(7) The secretary of state shall use the procedures in**
 29 **subsections (2) to (6) to automatically preregister any individual**

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

20 (8) ~~(5)~~—An individual who is not eligible to vote and who,
 21 without intending to register to vote, becomes registered to vote
 22 through human or mechanical error is not considered to have
 23 knowingly intended to register to vote in violation of section 519.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

28 (3) If information is received under subsection (2) for an
29 individual who is already registered to vote or preregistered to

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

13 (4) Subject to compliance with all applicable federal laws and
14 regulations, as part of an application for Medicaid coverage to the
15 department of health and human services, the department of health
16 and human services shall automatically and electronically transmit
17 the information required under section 509q(1) (a), either the
18 information required under section 509q(1) (b) or the last 4 digits
19 of the individual's Social Security number, and the individual's
20 digitized signature, if available, to the secretary of state for
21 each individual who is of sufficient age to register to vote or
22 preregister to vote and who is verified as a United States citizen.
23 Subject to any instructions issued and determined necessary by the
24 secretary of state to conform with the structure of a department of
25 health and human services application, in processing the
26 information received from the department of health and human
27 services under this subsection, the secretary of state and each
28 city or township clerk shall comply with the requirements
29 established under section 493a(2) to (5) and (7) for automatically

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

28 ~~(2) The applicant shall sign the application. Upon receipt of~~
 29 ~~the application, the agent shall sign the application and provide~~

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

28 (g) ~~The most recent~~ **Subject to section 493b(7), the** digitized
29 ~~signature~~ **signatures** of an elector if captured or reproduced by the

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

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

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

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

1 qualified voter file.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

29 (5) The secretary of state shall create an inactive voter

1 file.

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

8 (a) The elector votes at an election.

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

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

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

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

22 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
23 unless House Bill No. 4569 of the 102nd Legislature is enacted into
24 law.