

HOUSE BILL No. 2683

By Representative Parker

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1 AN ACT concerning elections; related to voter registration.

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3 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

4 Section 1. (a) As used in this section, "interstate voter registration
5 crosscheck program" means activities primarily conducted by the Kansas
6 secretary of state relating to the storage and review of voter identification
7 records from states other than Kansas.

8 (b) The secretary of state shall not use its discretionary budget to fund
9 the interstate voter registration crosscheck program. The secretary shall
10 provide an annual accounting to the legislature of all revenue and
11 expenditures related to the interstate voter registration crosscheck program
12 on or before January 15 of each year.

13 (c) The secretary of state shall adopt rules and regulations that require
14 member states of the interstate voter registration crosscheck program to
15 reimburse the secretary for the cost of the program.

16 (d) The secretary of state shall enter into a purchase agreement for
17 information technology insurance with regard to any data collected under
18 the interstate voter registration crosscheck program.

19 (e) Expenditures or grants of money by the secretary of state used to
20 fund the interstate voter registration crosscheck program must be
21 specifically appropriated by the legislature.

22 Sec. 2. (a) The secretary of state shall enter into an agreement with
23 the electronic registration information center effective no later than
24 January 1, 2019, for the purpose of maintaining a statewide voter
25 registration database. The electronic registration information center shall
26 provide an interstate voter registration program for the state of Kansas.
27 The secretary shall comply with the requirements of the electronic
28 registration information center membership agreement. The secretary shall
29 require a term in the electronic registration information membership
30 agreement that requires the state to share identification records collected
31 by the secretary, excluding those fields unrelated to voter eligibility, such
32 as income or health information.

33 (b) Any communication required to be delivered to a voter registrant
34 or potential voter registrant pursuant to the electronic registration
35 information center membership agreement shall include at least the
36 following statement:

1 "Our records show that a person or persons at this address may not be
2 registered to vote at this address, but may be eligible to register to vote or
3 re-register to vote at this address.

4 If you are a United States citizen, a resident of Kansas, and will be 18
5 years old or older before the next general election in November, you are
6 qualified to vote.

7 We invite you to check your registration online at (enter URL) or
8 register to vote online at (enter URL), by requesting a mail-in voter
9 registration form by (enter instructions for requesting a mail-in voter
10 registration form), or visiting the (name of election authority) office
11 (address of election authority)."

12 The words "register to vote online at (enter URL)" shall be bolded and
13 of a distinct nature from the other words in the message required by this
14 subsection (b).

15 (c) Any communication required to be delivered to a potential voter
16 registrant who has been identified by the electronic registration
17 information center as eligible to vote, but who is not registered to vote in
18 Kansas, shall be prepared and disseminated at the direction of the secretary
19 of state. All other communications with registrants or potential registrants
20 pursuant to the electronic registration center membership agreement shall
21 be prepared and at the direction of the appropriate election officer.

22 (d) The secretary of state or the secretary's designee shall serve as the
23 member representative to the electronic registration information center.

24 (e) The secretary of state may adopt any rules and regulations
25 necessary to enforce this act and comply with the electronic registration
26 information center membership agreement.

27 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
28 publication in the statute book.