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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 115, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to voter registration for hunting and fishing permit applicants.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 115, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new  
2 section, to be known as section 115.164, to read as follows:

115.164. 1. All applicants for any resident hunting or fishing  
2 permit at any local department of conservation office or any local  
3 permit vendor shall receive a voter registration application form as a  
4 simultaneous part of the application for such permits. Such applicants  
5 may complete the voter registration form at the time the resident  
6 hunting or fishing permit is applied for under this section, or may mail  
7 the completed voter registration form to the appropriate election  
8 authority. If a single application form is used, the voter registration  
9 application portion of any application described in this subsection shall  
10 not require any information that duplicates information required in the  
11 resident hunting or fishing permit portion of the form, except a second  
12 signature or other information required by law.

13 2. Any applicant for a resident hunting or fishing permit who  
14 applies by telephone shall be informed that such applicant may request  
15 that a voter registration application be mailed to the applicant. Such  
16 applicants may mail the completed voter registration form to the  
17 appropriate election authority.

18 3. Any applicant for a resident hunting or fishing permit who

19 applies by the department of conservation's web site shall be provided  
20 with a link to the web site of the applicant's election authority if such  
21 election authority has established a web site that provides the  
22 opportunity to register online or to print out a registration form to  
23 complete and mail to the appropriate election authority.

24 4. After conferring with the secretary of state as the chief state  
25 election official responsible for overseeing of the voter registration  
26 process, the director of the department of conservation shall adopt  
27 rules within thirty days of August 28, 2007, pertaining to the format of  
28 the voter registration application used by the department. Any rule or  
29 portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that  
30 is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become  
31 effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions  
32 of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This  
33 section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the  
34 powers vested with the general assembly under chapter 536, RSMo, to  
35 review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule  
36 are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking  
37 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2007, shall  
38 be invalid and void.

39 5. No information relating to the failure of an applicant for a  
40 resident hunting or fishing permit to sign a voter registration  
41 application shall be used for any purpose other than voter registration.

42 6. Any voter registration application received under this section  
43 shall be forwarded to the election authority located within that county  
44 or any city not within a county, or if there is more than one election  
45 authority within the county, then to the election authority located  
46 nearest to the location where the resident hunting or fishing permit  
47 application was received. The election authority receiving the  
48 application forms shall review the applications and forward any  
49 applications pertaining to a different election authority to that election  
50 authority. A completed voter registration application accepted in the  
51 resident hunting or fishing permit process shall be transmitted to the  
52 election authority described in this subsection not later than five  
53 business days after the form is completed by the applicant.

54 7. Any person registering to vote when applying for a resident  
55 hunting or fishing permit shall submit with the application form a copy

56 of a birth certificate, a Native American tribal document, or other proof  
57 of United States citizenship, a valid Missouri driver's license, or other  
58 form of personal identification.

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