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SENATE BILL NO. 280

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR CARTER.

KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

AN ACT

To repeal section 115.160, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to voter registration.

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

Section A. Section 115.160, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 115.160, to read as follows:

115.160. 1. All Missouri driver's license applicants shall receive a voter registration application form as a simultaneous part of the application for a driver's license, renewal of driver's license, change of address, duplicate request and a nondriver's license.

6 2. If a single application form is used, the voter 7 registration application portion of any application 8 described in subsection 1 of this section may not require 9 any information that duplicates information required in the 10 driver's license portion of the form, except a second 11 signature or other information required by law.

3. After conferring with the secretary of state as the chief state election official responsible for overseeing of the voter registration process, the director of revenue shall adopt rules and regulations pertaining to the format of the voter registration application used by the department. The director of revenue shall utilize electronic voter registration application forms and provide

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19 for secure electronic transfer of voter registration 20 information to election authorities. The secretary of state 21 and the director of revenue shall ensure the confidentiality 22 and integrity of the voter registration data collected, 23 maintained, received, or transmitted under this section.

4. No information relating to the failure of an
applicant for a driver's license or nondriver's license to
sign a voter registration application may be used for any
purpose other than voter registration.

28 5. Any voter registration application received pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be 29 forwarded, in a secure and electronic manner, to the 30 31 election authority located within that county or any city not within a county, or if there is more than one election 32 authority within the county, then to the election authority 33 34 located nearest to the location where the driver's license application was received. Voter registration information, 35 including an electronic image of the signature of the 36 applicant, shall be transmitted in a format compatible with 37 the Missouri voter registration system established in 38 39 section 115.158 which allows for review by the election authority and does not require the election authority to 40 manually reenter the information, provided that the election 41 42 authority shall print out a paper copy of the information and retain such information in the manner required by 43 44 section 115.145. The election authority receiving the 45 application forms shall review the applications and forward, in a secure and electronic manner, any applications 46 pertaining to a different election authority to that 47 election authority. 48

49 6. A completed voter registration application accepted50 in the driver's licensing process shall be transmitted to

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51 the election authority described in subsection 5 of this 52 section not later than three business days after the form is 53 completed by the applicant.

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7. Any person registering to vote when applying for or 54 renewing a Missouri driver's license shall submit with the 55 application form a copy of a birth certificate, a Native 56 American tribal document, or other proof of United States 57 citizenship, a valid Missouri driver's license, or other 58 form of personal identification. Any person who, at the 59 60 time of a transaction with the division of motor vehicle and driver licensing of the department of revenue, provides a 61 document that establishes noncitizenship shall not be 62 offered the opportunity to register to vote as part of the 63 transaction. The division of motor vehicle and driver 64 licensing shall determine whether an applicant for a 65 66 driver's license has the requisite proof of citizenship 67 needed to register to vote. Not later than the third Tuesday prior to each election and at least once every 68 69 thirty days, the division shall report to the secretary of 70 state each person who has applied for and received a 71 driver's license and whether each such person has provided proof of citizenship, provided proof of noncitizenship, or 72 73 not provided proof of either citizenship or noncitizenship.

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