

HB 232 -- Computerized Voter Registration Lists

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This bill requires election authorities to compile and use an interactive computerized voter registration list for voters who have no form of state-issued photographic identification. The system must be maintained and administered by the Secretary of State and must contain the same voter registration information required under Section 115.157, RSMo, and be able to store and display a photograph of any voter who has no state-issued photo identification. The Secretary of State must provide funding to each election authority to create a computerized voter registration list. If the funding is not provided, no election authority can be required to create or use the list. Any list must comply with all requirements of other voter registration lists as required under Chapter 115 and must be subject to the same procedures for use, disclosure, and verification of the lists as required under the chapter.

No voter can be required to enter his or her voter registration information and photograph into the list but the election authority must inform a voter that entering his or her registration information may decrease the amount of time spent in identifying him or her. Any voter who declines to enter his or her registration information and photograph into a registration list must be allowed to vote as other voters with no state-issued form of personal identification with a photograph are allowed to vote.