

House \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Offered By

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill Nos. 26 & 922, Page 8, Section 115.168, Line  
2 17, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

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4 "115.175. Any person who knowingly or willfully gives any false information for the  
5 purpose of establishing his eligibility to register to vote or who conspires with another person for the  
6 purpose of encouraging his false registration or illegal vote, or who pays or offers to pay, accepts or  
7 offers to accept payment for registering to vote or for voting, or who otherwise willfully and  
8 fraudulently furnishes false information to a registration official for the purpose of causing a false or  
9 fictitious registration, or who registers to vote with the intention of voting more than once in the  
10 same election shall be guilty of a class one election offense. Errors in the statewide voter  
11 registration system shall not amount to a class one election offense unless the individual knowingly  
12 or willfully provided false information that led to the error."; and

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14 Further amend said bill, Page 22, Section 115.770, Line 14, by inserting after all of said section and  
15 line the following:

16 "115.975. 1. Notwithstanding any other manner of voter registration under this chapter,  
17 every eligible voter in the state shall be automatically registered to vote as provided in this section  
18 unless the voter indicates that he or she does not want to be registered to vote.

19 2. (1) As used in the this section, the term "source agency" shall mean the department of  
20 revenue, the department of social services, local housing authorities, the University of Missouri  
21 system, the department of corrections, the division of probation and parole, the department of labor,  
22 the department of health and senior services, the bureau of vital records, local health departments,  
23 recorders of deeds, and any other agency designated by the secretary of state as provided in  
24 subdivision (2) of this subsection.

25 (2) The secretary of state may designate additional state agencies to serve as sources for  
26 voter registration information. In designating additional agencies, the secretary of state shall  
27 consider:

28 (a) The likelihood that the agency's records contain information about a large number of  
29 eligible citizens;

30 (b) The extent to which the agency's records reflect eligible citizens who would not

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1 otherwise be registered to vote;

2 (c) The accuracy of personal identification information stored in the records; and

3 (d) Any additional factors the secretary of state determines are reasonably related to  
4 achieving automatic voter registration.

5 3. (1) The following actions shall result in an individual's automatic voter registration or an  
6 update to the information of an already registered voter if the individual otherwise meets the  
7 requirements to register to vote:

8 (a) Completing an application for a new or renewed driver's license, non-driver  
9 identification card, driver's permit, or certification of supervised driving that is not a request for  
10 duplication of a lost or stolen card with the department of revenue or notifies the department in  
11 writing of a change in his or her name or mailing address;

12 (b) Completing an application for services or renewal of services or change of address  
13 relating to such services from the department of social services;

14 (c) Completing an application for services or renewal of services or change of address  
15 relating to services from a local housing authority;

16 (d) Registering for classes at an institution of the University of Missouri system;

17 (e) Completing an application for unemployment benefits;

18 (f) Filing of a death certificate with the bureau of vital records or local health department;

19 (g) Submission of a form by the division of probation and parole to the secretary of state that  
20 confirms an individual has been discharged from probation, parole, or incarceration; the discharge is  
21 non-conditional; and the individual's place of residence upon release; or

22 (h) Completing an application with a source agency, as that term is defined in subdivision  
23 (1) of subsection 3 of this section.

24 (2) When a source agency assists an individual with any of the activities in paragraphs (a) to  
25 (f) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, the source agency shall, at least monthly, provide the  
26 following information for each individual to the secretary of state:

27 (a) Full name;

28 (b) Mailing and residential addresses;

29 (c) Date of birth;

30 (d) Proof of citizenship or attestation of eligibility;

31 (e) Driver's license or non-driver identification card number or the last four numbers of the  
32 individual's Social Security number; and

33 (f) An image of the person's signature.

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35 In the event that the source agency does not have or does not provide an image of the individual's  
36 signature, the secretary of state shall develop a method for indicating that the voter is required to  
37 provide his or her signature and an acceptable form of voter identification when applying for an  
38 absentee ballot or before voting at a polling place on election day.

39 (3) Upon receipt of the information in subdivision (2) of this section, the secretary of state  
40 shall identify individuals who are eligible to register to vote but are not registered and shall  
41 promptly send each individual a written notice with the following information:

1 (a) An explanation that voter registration is voluntary, but if the individual does not  
2 expressly decline registration, he or she will be registered to vote;

3 (b) A statement offering the opportunity to decline to register to vote, that registration shall  
4 be declined within forty-five days, and that the decision to decline voter registration shall remain  
5 confidential;

6 (c) The voter eligibility requirements and a statement that the individual shall decline  
7 registration if he or she does not satisfy the requirements;

8 (d) Penalties for submission of false information; and

9 (e) Instructions for correcting incorrect information.

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11 The written notice shall include a form that may be signed and returned in a prepaid envelope to  
12 decline voter registration. If an individual fails to decline voter registration within the forty-five day  
13 period, the individual shall be registered to vote.

14 4. The secretary of state shall develop a form that source agencies may utilize to assist in  
15 collecting the information required under paragraphs (a) through (f) of subdivision (2) of subsection  
16 4 of this section. The form shall contain the following information:

17 (1) An explanation that voter registration is voluntary but if the individual does not  
18 expressly decline registration, he or she will be registered to vote;

19 (2) A statement offering the opportunity to decline to register to vote, the method by which  
20 the individual may decline registration, and a statement that the decision to decline voter registration  
21 shall remain confidential;

22 (3) The voter eligibility requirements and a statement that the individual declines  
23 registration if he or she does not satisfy the requirements;

24 (4) Penalties for submission of false information; and

25 (5) A statement that the benefits or services sought from the source agency shall not be  
26 affected by the individual's decision to register or decline to register to vote.

27 5. The secretary of state and source agencies shall collaborate on the best methods for  
28 complying with the requirements of this section. The secretary of state shall make rules regarding  
29 the implementation of this section and shall be responsible for providing training programs for  
30 source agencies. All source agencies in this section shall comply with rules established by the  
31 secretary of state to assist with the implementation of automatic voter registration.

32 6. The secretary of state may promulgate rules to assist in the implementation of this  
33 section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created  
34 under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is  
35 subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and  
36 chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to  
37 chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently  
38 held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after  
39 August 28, 2019, shall be invalid and void."; and

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41 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references

1 accordingly.  
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