



HOUSE BILL 958: Election Law Changes, Part II. Registration of Voters

2025-2026 General Assembly

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Part II of House Bill 958 would have made the following changes regarding maintaining a list of eligible voters in this State:

- Require the Department of Motor Vehicles to provide full social security numbers to the State Board of Elections on a routine basis of no later than the fifteenth day of each month. (**Section 2.1**)
- Require the State Board of Elections to forward any voter registration applications to the appropriate county board of elections in a timely manner, or within five business days of receipt if received by the State Board of Elections within 100 days before an election. (**Section 2.2**)
- Require the Executive Director of the State Board of Elections to use information received from a federal agency to identify registered voters who are deceased and provide those identified names to the county boards of election within one week of receipt. The county boards of election would be required to remove the names of the deceased voters from their voter registration records within one week of receipt of the names, and the State Board of Elections must confirm that those names were removed. (**Section 2.3**)
- Provide that any voter registration received from other states pursuant to a data sharing agreement with that state is not a public record. (**Section 2.3**)
- Require the State Board of Elections to create a process for removing non-eligible citizens from the voter registration records if the registered voter appears on information received by the State Board of Elections from a federal database on or after January 1, 2026, and a challenge has not yet been entered against the registered voter. (**Section 2.3**)
- Prohibit any employee of the Department of Motor Vehicles or a public agency offering voter registration services from proceeding with a voter registration application unless the applicant affirmatively indicates that he or she is a citizen of the United States. (**Section 2.4**)
- Require that a county board of elections only process a voter registration application that affirmatively indicates that the applicant is a citizen of the United States. If a county board of elections receives a voter registration application with no answer indicated as to the question of whether the applicant is a citizen of the United States, the county board of elections would be required to send the applicant a form, to be completed under penalty of perjury, for the applicant to indicate whether he or she is a citizen of the United States. If the form is completed and returned by the applicant within 30 days of the mailing, the county board of elections would proceed with the voter registration application accordingly. (**Section 2.4**)

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House Bill 958 was ratified on August 6, 2026, but was vetoed by the Governor and is not current law. If the General Assembly overrides the veto, Part II of House Bill 958 would become effective on January 1, 2027 and apply to voter registration applications processed on or after that date.