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SENATE BILL 784

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

INTRODUCED BY

LEONARD TSOSIE

AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS; PROVIDING AN EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN VOTER  
REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR A VOTER WHO HAS FILED FOR AN ORDER  
OF PROTECTION; AMENDING A SECTION OF THE ELECTION CODE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 1-4-5.1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1993,  
Chapter 314, Section 7 and Laws 1993, Chapter 316, Section 7) is  
amended to read:

"1-4-5.1. METHOD OF REGISTRATION-- FORM --

A. A qualified elector may ~~also~~ apply for  
registration by mail or in the office of the county clerk.

B. Certificate of registration forms may be  
requested from the secretary of state or any county clerk in  
person, by telephone or by mail for oneself or for others.

C. Except as provided in Subsection D of this

1 section, a qualified elector who wishes to register to vote  
2 shall fill out completely and sign the certificate of  
3 registration. The qualified elector may seek the assistance of  
4 any person in completing the certificate of registration.

5 D. A qualified elector who has filed for an order of  
6 protection pursuant to the provisions of the Family Violence  
7 Protection Act shall not be required to provide address  
8 information on the certificate of registration.

9 ~~[D.]~~ E. Completed certificates of registration may  
10 be mailed or presented in person by the registrant or any other  
11 person to the secretary of state or presented in person by the  
12 registrant or any other person to the county clerk of the county  
13 in which the registrant resides.

14 ~~[E.]~~ F. If the registrant wishes to vote in the next  
15 election, the completed and signed certificate of registration  
16 shall be delivered or mailed and postmarked at least twenty-  
17 eight days before the election.

18 ~~[F.]~~ G. Upon receipt of a certificate of  
19 registration, the secretary of state shall send the certificate  
20 to the county clerk in the county where the qualified elector  
21 resides.

22 ~~[G.]~~ H. Only when the certificate of registration is  
23 properly filled out, signed by the qualified elector and  
24 accepted for filing by the county clerk as evidenced by his  
25 signature or stamp and the date of acceptance thereon and when



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5 March 1, 1997  
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7 Mr. President:  
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9 Your RULES COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred  
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13 has had it under consideration and reports same with  
14 recommendation that it DO PASS, amended as follows:  
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16 1. On page 2, line 7, after "Act" insert ", and who presents  
17 a copy of that order from a state or tribal court to the  
18 registration officer,"

19 and thence referred to the PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.  
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22 Respectfully submitted,  
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Gloria Howes, Chairman

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(Chief Clerk) (Chief Clerk)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

The roll call vote was 5 For 0 Against

Yes: 5

No: 0

Excused: Adair, Aragon, Gorham

Absent: None

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**March 15, 1997**

**Mr. President:**

Your **PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred

**SENATE BILL 784**, as amended

has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it **DO PASS**.

**Respectfully submitted,**

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Shannon Robinson, Chairman

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(Chief Clerk) (Chief Clerk)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

The roll call vote was 5 For 0 Against

Yes: 5

No: 0

Excused: Adair, Ingle, Vernon, Smith

Absent: None

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# State of New Mexico House of Representatives

FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SESSION, 1997

March 20, 1997

Mr. Speaker:

Your VOTERS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE, to whom has  
been referred

SENATE BILL 784, as amended

has had it under consideration and reports same with  
recommendation that it DO PASS.

Respectfully submitted,

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Edward C. Sandoval, Chairman



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Date \_\_\_\_\_

The roll call vote was 7 For 0 Against

Yes: 7

Excused: Buffett, Lujan, Madalena, Nicely, Sanchez

Absent: None

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