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HOUSE BILL 583

50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2011

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS; REQUIRING THE DIRECTOR OF THE MOTOR
VEHICLE DIVISION OF THE TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT TO
ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH THE FEDERAL COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL
SECURITY AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE VERIFICATION OF
VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1-5-30 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1989,
Chapter 298, Section 1, as amended) is amended to read:

"1-5-30. SECRETARY OF STATE--ESTABLISHMENT OF STATEWIDE
COMPUTERIZED VOTER REGISTRATION SYSTEM.--

A. The secretary of state shall develop, implement,
establish and supervise a statewide computerized voter
registration system that complies with the federal Help America
Vote Act of 2002 to facilitate voter registration and to

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1 provide a central database containing voter registration
2 information for New Mexico.

3 B. The secretary of state shall enter into an
4 agreement with the director of the motor vehicle division of
5 the taxation and revenue department to match information in the
6 database of the statewide voter registration system with
7 information in the database of the motor vehicle division to
8 enable each official to verify the accuracy of the information
9 provided on applications for voter registration.

10 [~~B.~~] C. The statewide computerized voter
11 registration system shall:

12 (1) provide for the establishment and
13 maintenance of a central database for all voter registration
14 information;

15 (2) permit the offices of all county clerks to
16 add, modify and delete county information from the system to
17 provide for accurate and up-to-date records;

18 (3) permit the offices of the county clerks
19 and the bureau of elections to have access to the central
20 database for review and search capabilities;

21 (4) provide security and protection for all
22 information in the central database and monitor the central
23 database to ensure the prevention of unauthorized entry;

24 (5) provide procedures for entering data into
25 the central database; and

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1 (6) provide a centralized system for each
2 county to enter the precinct to which a voter should be
3 assigned for voting purposes."

4 SECTION 2. A new section of the Motor Vehicle Code is
5 enacted to read:

6 "[NEW MATERIAL] DATABASE MATCHING.--

7 A. The director shall enter into an agreement with
8 the federal commissioner of social security for the purpose of
9 verifying the accuracy of information provided on applicants
10 for voter registration.

11 B. The director shall enter into an agreement with
12 the secretary of state to match information in the database of
13 the statewide voter registration system with information in the
14 database of the division to enable each election official to
15 verify the accuracy of the information provided on applications
16 for voter registration."

17 SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
18 provisions of this act is July 1, 2011.

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