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House Bill 280

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 primaries and elections generally, so as to eliminate certain electors list maintenance
- 3 activities; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

## 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 SECTION 1.

- 6 Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to primaries and
- 7 elections generally, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-234, relating
- 8 to electors who have failed to vote and with whom there has been no contact in three years,
- 9 confirmation notice requirements and procedure, and time for completion of list maintenance
- 10 activities, as follows:
- 11 "(a)(1) As used in this Code section and Code Section 21-2-235, the term 'no contact' shall
- mean that the elector has not filed an updated voter registration card, has not filed a change
- of name or address, has not signed a petition which is required by law to be verified by the
- election superintendent of a county or municipality or the Secretary of State, has not signed
- a voter's certificate, has not submitted an absentee ballot application or voted an absentee

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ballot, and has not confirmed the elector's continuation at the same address during the

preceding five calendar years. (2) In the first six months of each odd-numbered year, the Secretary of State shall 18 identify all electors whose names appear on the list of electors with whom there has been 19 20 no contact during the preceding five calendar years and who were not identified as changing addresses under Code Section 21-2-233. The confirmation notice described in this Code section shall be sent to each such elector during each odd-numbered year. Such 22

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25 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

notices shall be sent by forwardable, first-class mail. Reserved."