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## HOUSE BILL No. 1253

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DIGEST OF HB 253 (Updated January 24, 2018 6:45 pm - DI 75)

**Citations Affected:** IC 3-7.

**Synopsis:** Voter list maintenance. Codifies current administrative procedures ("confidence factors") used by the Indiana election division to determine which potentially duplicate voter registration records to provide to county voter registration offices to assist the county in determining whether a voter of the county has registered more recently in another state.

**Effective:** Upon passage.

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January 11, 2018, read first time and referred to Committee on Elections and Apportionment.  
January 25, 2018, amended, reported — Do Pass.

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Second Regular Session of the 120th General Assembly (2018)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2017 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning elections.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 3-7-38.2-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.74-2017,  
2 SECTION 15, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) To assist in performing voter list  
4 maintenance under this chapter, the NVRA official shall submit the  
5 names of all registered voters in Indiana to the United States Postal  
6 Service National Change of Address Service. The submission under  
7 this chapter shall be compiled from the county voter registration  
8 information submitted to the election division under IC 3-7-26.3.  
9 (b) This subsection does not require the NVRA official to request  
10 voter registration data from a state listed in this subsection if the  
11 NVRA official will be receiving voter registration data from that state  
12 under the memorandum of understanding described in subsection (d).  
13 To assist in performing voter list maintenance under this chapter, not  
14 later than December 31 of each calendar year the NVRA official shall  
15 request that the chief state election official who is responsible for the  
16 coordination of state responsibilities under NVRA in each of the  
17 following states provide a list of the registered voters in that state:

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- 1 (1) Florida.  
 2 (2) Illinois.  
 3 (3) Kentucky.  
 4 (4) Michigan.  
 5 (5) Ohio.
- 6 (c) The NVRA official shall request a list of registered voters from  
 7 any other state in which the NVRA official determines there is a  
 8 reasonable possibility that a significant number of individuals who  
 9 have registered to vote in Indiana may also be registered to vote in that  
 10 state.
- 11 (d) The NVRA official shall execute a memorandum of  
 12 understanding with the Kansas Secretary of State. Notwithstanding any  
 13 limitation under IC 3-7-26.4 regarding the availability of certain  
 14 information from the computerized list, on January 15 of each year, the  
 15 NVRA official shall provide data from the statewide voter registration  
 16 list without cost to the Kansas Secretary of State to permit the  
 17 comparison of voter registration data in the statewide voter registration  
 18 list with registration data from all other states participating in this  
 19 memorandum of understanding and to identify any cases in which a  
 20 voter cast a ballot in more than one (1) state during the same election.  
 21 Not later than thirty (30) days following the receipt of information  
 22 under this subsection indicating that a voter of Indiana may also be  
 23 registered to vote in another state, the NVRA official shall provide the  
 24 appropriate county voter registration office with the name of and any  
 25 other information obtained under this subsection concerning that voter,  
 26 if **both of the following apply**:
- 27 (1) The first name, last name, and date of birth of the Indiana  
 28 voter is identical to the first name, last name, and date of birth of  
 29 the voter registered in the other state.
- 30 (2) **A comparison of the records indicates that there is a**  
 31 **confidence factor that the records are for the same individual**  
 32 **resulting from the accumulation of at least seventy-five (75)**  
 33 **points based on the following criteria:**
- 34 (A) **Full Social Security number: 40 points.**  
 35 (B) **Last four (4) digits of Social Security number: 10**  
 36 **points.**  
 37 (C) **Indiana driver's license or identification card number:**  
 38 **50 points.**  
 39 (D) **Date of birth: 25 points.**  
 40 (E) **Last Name: 15 points.**  
 41 (F) **First Name: 15 points.**  
 42 (G) **Middle Name: 5 points.**



1                   **(H) Suffix: 5 points.**  
2                   **(I) Street Address 1: 10 points.**  
3                   **(J) Zip Code (first five (5) digits): 5 points.**  
4           **(e)** The county voter registration office shall determine whether the  
5 individual:  
6           (1) identified in the report provided by the NVRA official under  
7 ~~this~~ subsection **(d)** is the same individual who is a registered voter  
8 of the county; and  
9           (2) registered to vote in another state on a date following the date  
10 that voter registered in Indiana.  
11           ~~(e)~~ **(f)** If the county voter registration office determines that the  
12 voter is described by subsection ~~(d)~~; **(e)**, the county voter registration  
13 office shall cancel the voter registration of that voter.  
14           **SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.**



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Elections and Apportionment, to which was referred House Bill 1253, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, delete lines 1 through 14.

Page 3, delete lines 28 through 42.

Delete pages 4 through 6.

Page 7, delete lines 1 through 30.

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1253 as introduced.)

RICHARDSON

Committee Vote: yeas 11, nays 0.

