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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 224

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike "Improving"; in line 3, before "providing" insert "repealing certain provisions of law authorizing an individual to register to vote and change certain information related to voter registration through the Motor Vehicle Administration;"; in line 18, before the first "and" insert "making conforming changes;"; in the same line, strike "improving"; in line 21, strike "Section" and substitute "Section 3-201(a);"; and in the same line, after "3-302," insert "3-303(a) and (c), 3-304(a).".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 5, after "Law" insert:

"3-201.

(a) An individual may apply to become a registered voter:

(1) at a local board office or the State Board office;

(2) at a registration site administered by a local board;

(3) by mail;

(4) [when applying to the Motor Vehicle Administration for the issuance, renewal, or modification of a driver's license or identification card;

(5) when applying for services at a voter registration agency;

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~~[(6)] (5)~~ through the State Board’s online voter registration system;  
or

~~[(7)] (6)~~ with the assistance of a volunteer authorized by the State or local board.”;

in lines 19 and 20, strike “the Motor Vehicle Administration,”; and after line 21, insert:

“3-303.

(a) Notification of a change of party affiliation or a change to or from a decline may be made:

(1) by information provided on a voter registration application by the same methods provided for registration under Subtitle 2 of this title;

(2) by written notice, signed by the voter and sent by mail or otherwise delivered to the local board in the county where the voter’s current voter registration address is located or to which the voter has moved;

(3) by making application in person at the office of the local board in the county where the voter’s current voter registration address is located or to which the voter has moved; OR

(4) by information on a voter authority card or other appropriate form filled out in a polling place]; or

(5) by changing a name or address with the Motor Vehicle Administration].

(c) If a local board receives a request for a party affiliation change after the close of registration, the local board shall make the change and it shall become effective for the next election provided:

(1) there is sufficient evidence, as determined by the local boards pursuant to regulations adopted by the State Board, that the request was mailed on or before the close of registration for that election; or

(2) the request was submitted by the voter to [the Motor Vehicle Administration,] a voter registration agency, another local board, or the State Board on or before the close of registration for that election.

3-304.

(a) (1) Notification of a change of address or of a change of name may be made:

(i) by information provided on a voter registration application by the same methods provided for registration pursuant to Subtitle 2 of this title;

(ii) by written notice, signed by the voter and sent by mail or otherwise delivered to the local board in the county where the voter's current voter registration address is located or to which the voter has moved;

(iii) by making application in person at the office of the local board in the county where the voter's current voter registration address is located or to which the voter has moved; OR

(iv) by information on a voter authority card or other appropriate form filled out in a polling place[; or

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(v) by changing a name or address with the Motor Vehicle Administration].

(2) Except as provided by regulations adopted by the State Board, name and address changes may not be processed when registration is closed.”.