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An Act relating to voter registration; amending 26 O.S. 2021, Section 4-109.3, as amended by Section 15, Chapter 282, O.S.L. 2022 (26 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 4-109.3), which relates to motor vehicle licensing agencies; authorizing State Election Board to develop certain system; authorizing Secretary of the Board to provide certain information to county election board; providing for automatic voter registration; prohibiting sending of ballots to certain persons; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. 26 O.S. 2021, Section 4-109.3, as AMENDATORY amended by Section 15, Chapter 282, O.S.L. 2022 (26 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 4-109.3), is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-109.3. A. When a qualified elector applies for issuance or renewal of an Oklahoma driver license, or issuance of a state identification card issued pursuant to Section 6-105 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes, he or she shall be provided voter registration services as required by the National Voter Registration Act. All completed paper voter registration applications shall be transmitted by the agency accepting the application at the close of

Req. No. 1375 Page 1 business each week to the State Election Board in preaddressed, postage prepaid envelopes provided by the State Election Board. If a person registers or declines to register to vote, the office at which the person submits the voter registration application or the fact that the person declined to register shall remain confidential and will be used only for voter registration purposes.

- B. A change of address for an Oklahoma driver license or state identification card submitted by a registered voter shall also serve as a change of address for voter registration purposes if the new address is within the same county where the voter is registered to vote. If the new address is outside the county where the voter is currently registered to vote, the voter shall be sent a notice and application with instructions for registering to vote at the new address. A change of address for an Oklahoma driver license or state identification card shall not be used to update a voter registration address if the registrant states in writing that the change of address is not for voter registration purposes.
- C. Licensed operators shall receive fifty cents (\$0.50) per valid paper voter registration application or application for change in voter registration taken by themselves and employees of the licensed operator's office taken at the licensed operator's office, payable by the State Election Board.
- D. Service Oklahoma shall notify the Secretary of the State Election Board of licensed operator appointments. Service Oklahoma

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shall notify the Secretary of the State Election Board of licensed operators qualified to issue driver licenses.

- E. The Secretary of the State Election Board is authorized to develop with Service Oklahoma a system to electronically transmit voter registration applications from licensed operators to the State Election Board or county election boards. Such system shall be consistent with the requirements for electronic submission of voter registration applications provided in Section 4-109.4 of this title.
- F. The Secretary of the State Election Board shall develop a system by which Service Oklahoma and motor license agents shall provide to the Secretary electronic records containing the legal name, age, residence, citizenship information, and the electronic signature of each person who is a qualified elector or will be a qualified elector within the next two (2) years.
- G. Upon receiving the electronic record for and electronic signature of a qualified elector or a person who will become a qualified elector within the next two (2) years, the Secretary shall provide the information to the county election board of the county in which the person may be registered or preregistered as a qualified elector. The Secretary or county election board shall notify each person of the process to:
 - 1. Decline being registered as a qualified elector; or
 - 2. Adopt a political party affiliation.

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1 H. If a person notified under subsection G of this section does 2 not decline to be registered as an elector within twenty-one (21) 3 calendar days after the Secretary or county election board issues 4 the notification, the person's electronic record and electronic 5 signature submitted under subsection F of this section shall 6 constitute a completed registration card for the person for purposes 7 of this section. The person shall be registered to vote if the 8 county election board determines that the person is a qualified 9 elector and the person is not already registered to vote. If the 10 person neither declines to be registered nor selects a political 11 party, the person shall be registered as an independent. 12 I. A county election board shall not send a ballot to, or add 13 to an elector registration list, a person who meets eligibility 14

- I. A county election board shall not send a ballot to, or add to an elector registration list, a person who meets eligibility requirements until at least twenty-one (21) calendar days after the Secretary or county election board provided notification to the person as described in subsection G of this section.
- J. The Secretary of the State Election Board shall promulgate rules and procedures to implement the requirements of this section.

 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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