



2021 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Bill 24

Introduced by: The Committee on State Affairs at the request of the State Board of Elections

1 **An Act to provide for voter registration through an online voter registration system**
 2 **provided by the Office of the Secretary of State.**

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 **Section 1.** That a NEW SECTION be added:

5 **12-4-2.4. Electronic voter registration interface--Sworn statement of**
 6 **applicant.**

7 A person eligible to vote under § 12-4-1 and who has a valid South Dakota driver
 8 license or South Dakota nondriver identification card may submit a voter registration form
 9 electronically through an online electronic voter registration interface maintained by the
 10 Office of the Secretary of State. The electronic voter registration interface shall perform
 11 the following functions:

12 (1) Validate that the applicant's information supplied as part of the voter registration
 13 process matches information contained in the driver license database maintained
 14 by the South Dakota Department of Public Safety;

15 (2) Authenticate the identity of any applicant under a process developed by the
 16 secretary of state that includes verifying the following information:

17 (a) The applicant's driver license or nondriver identification card number;

18 (b) The last five digits of the applicant's social security number;

19 (c) The applicant's full name as printed on the applicant's driver license or
 20 nondriver identification card; and

21 (d) The applicant's date of birth;

22 (3) Obtain an electronic copy of the applicant's signature from the applicant's driver
 23 license or nondriver identification card from the driver license database maintained
 24 by the Department of Public Safety. For voter registration purposes, the applicant
 25 is required to assent to the use of the applicant's signature from his or her driver
 26 license or nondriver identification card; and

1 (4) Transmit any completed and verified voter registration application to the statewide
2 voter registration file.

3 Any applicant for voter registration under this Act shall make a sworn written
4 statement declaring and affirming, under the penalty of perjury, that the applicant is
5 entitled to register to vote under § 12-4-1 and that the applicant consents to providing
6 the requested information for the uses required under this section. This statement may
7 be made electronically as part of the process of utilizing the electronic voter registration
8 interface.