

SENATE BILL 1818

By Herron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2,
relative to voter registration and voting.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-109(a), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1), and by adding the following language as subdivision (2):

(2) As an alternative to registering to vote at the commission office in accordance with subdivision (a)(1), an individual who is eligible to vote may register to vote on election day in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of this act.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 2, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

() An individual who is eligible to vote may register on election day by appearing in person at the polling place for the precinct in which the individual maintains residence, by completing a registration card and providing proof of residence. An individual may prove residence for purposes of registering by:

(1) Showing a driver license or Tennessee identification card issued through the Tennessee department of safety;

(2) Showing any proof of identity and residence which would be satisfactory proof of identity to vote in an election if the person had registered to vote following other provisions of law;

(3) Showing a current valid student identification card from a post-secondary educational institution in Tennessee accompanied with a current

student fee statement that contains the student's valid address in the precinct together with a picture identification card; or

(4) Having a voter who is registered to vote in the precinct sign an oath in the presence of the election judge vouching that the voter personally knows that the individual is a resident of the precinct. A registered voter shall not vouch for more than one (1) individual on election day. A voter who has registered on election day may not sign a proof of residence oath vouching for any other individual on that election day.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.