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H. R. 3091

To amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to limit the authority of State election officials to remove registrants from the official list of eligible voters in elections for Federal office in the State on the basis of interstate cross-checks, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 28, 2017

Mr. POCAN (for himself and Mr. CONYERS) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Voter Roll Integrity
5 Act of 2017”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONDITIONS ON REMOVAL OF REGISTRANTS FROM**
2 **OFFICIAL LIST OF ELIGIBLE VOTERS ON**
3 **BASIS OF INTERSTATE CROSS-CHECKS.**

4 (a) MINIMUM INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR RE-
5 MOVAL UNDER CROSS-CHECK.—Section 8(c)(2) of the
6 National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C.
7 20507(c)(2)) is amended—

8 (1) by redesignating subparagraph (B) as sub-
9 paragraph (F); and

10 (2) by inserting after subparagraph (A) the fol-
11 lowing new subparagraphs:

12 “(B) To the extent that the program carried out by
13 a State under subparagraph (A) to systematically remove
14 the names of ineligible voters from the official lists of eligi-
15 ble voters uses information obtained in an interstate cross-
16 check, the State may not remove the name of the voter
17 from such a list unless—

18 “(i) the State obtained the voter’s full name
19 (including the voter’s middle name, if any) and date
20 of birth, and the last 4 digits of the voter’s social
21 security number, in the interstate cross-check; or

22 “(ii) the State obtained documentation from the
23 ERIC system that the voter is no longer a resident
24 of the State.

25 “(C) Prior to removing the name of a voter from the
26 official lists of eligible voters on the basis of information

1 obtained in an interstate cross-check, the State shall
2 transmit a notification to the voter that the voter is to
3 be removed from the list on the basis of such information,
4 and shall include in the notification the identification of
5 the State from which the information was obtained.

6 “(D) The State shall ensure that any personally-iden-
7 tifiable information relating to a voter that is obtained in
8 an interstate cross-check is secured and maintained in a
9 manner that does not permit any person other than the
10 appropriate State election official to determine the identity
11 of the voter.

12 “(E) In this paragraph—

13 “(i) the term ‘interstate cross-check’ means the
14 transmission of information from an election official
15 in one State to an election official of another State;
16 and

17 “(ii) the term ‘ERIC system’ means the system
18 operated by the Electronic Registration Information
19 Center to share voter registration information and
20 voter identification information among participating
21 States.”.

22 (b) REQUIRING COMPLETION OF CROSS-CHECKS
23 NOT LATER THAN 6 MONTHS PRIOR TO ELECTION.—
24 Subparagraph (A) of section 8(c)(2) of such Act (52
25 U.S.C. 20507(c)(2)) is amended by striking “not later

1 than 90 days” and inserting the following: “not later than
2 90 days (or, in the case of a program in which the State
3 uses interstate cross-checks, not later than 6 months)”.

4 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Subparagraph (F)
5 of section 8(c)(2) of such Act (52 U.S.C. 20507(c)(2)) is
6 amended by striking “Subparagraph (A)” and inserting
7 “This paragraph”.

8 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
9 this Act shall apply with respect to elections held on or
10 after the expiration of the 6-month period which begins
11 on the date of the enactment of this Act.

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