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1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to data practices; classifying election judge party affiliation as public data

1.3 on individuals; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.607, by adding a

1.4 subdivision; 204B.21, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024,

1.5 section 204B.21, subdivision 3.

1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 13.607, is amended by adding a subdivision

1.8 to read:

1.9 Subd. 10. Election judge party affiliation. The party affiliation of election judges is

1.10 classified as provided in section 204B.21, subdivision 4.

1.11 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 204B.21, is amended by adding a subdivision to

1.12 read:

1.13 Subd. 4. Election judge major party affiliation; data classification. (a) Each appointing

1.14 authority must maintain a list of all election judges that indicates the major political party

1.15 affiliation of each election judge or a statement that the judge does not affiliate with a major

1.16 political party. A list created under this paragraph is public data on individuals.

1.17 (b) The lists described in subdivisions 1 and 2 are not public data on individuals.

1.18 Sec. 3. **REPEALER.**

1.19 Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 204B.21, subdivision 3, is repealed.

204B.21 APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION JUDGES.

Subd. 3. **Access to election judge party affiliation.** Notwithstanding section 13.43, the major political party affiliation of an election judge or a statement that the judge does not affiliate with a major political party may be shared with other election judges assigned to the precinct at the same election, to verify compliance with party balance requirements. This data may not be disclosed or used by the election judges for any other purpose.