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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Elections

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to elections; providing various election reforms; restoring the civil right
- 1.3 to vote of an individual upon release from incarceration or upon sentencing if no
- 1.4 incarceration is imposed; requiring notice; modifying in-person voting time periods;
- 1.5 providing requirements for absentee voting eligibility; requiring an individual to
- 1.6 present identification before voting; providing free voter identification cards;
- 1.7 making technical changes; prohibiting electronic rosters from having a wireless
- 1.8 connection; prohibiting electronic voting systems from having wireless or Internet
- 1.9 connectivity capabilities; requiring reports; appropriating money; amending
- 1.10 Minnesota Statutes 2020, sections 13.6905, by adding a subdivision; 144.226, by
- 1.11 adding subdivisions; 171.06, subdivisions 1, 2, by adding a subdivision; 171.061,
- 1.12 subdivisions 1, 3, 4; 171.07, subdivisions 1a, 4, 14, by adding a subdivision;
- 1.13 171.071, subdivisions 1, 2; 171.10, subdivision 1; 171.11; 171.12, subdivision 3c;
- 1.14 171.121; 171.14; 201.014, by adding a subdivision; 201.022, subdivision 1;
- 1.15 201.061, subdivisions 1, 1a, 3; 201.071, subdivisions 1, 2, 3; 201.091, subdivision
- 1.16 9; 201.121, subdivision 1; 201.13, subdivision 3; 201.14; 201.145, subdivisions
- 1.17 2, 3, 4, 5; 201.161; 201.221, subdivision 3; 201.225, subdivision 2; 203B.02,
- 1.18 subdivision 1; 203B.04, subdivisions 1, 4, 5, by adding a subdivision; 203B.06,
- 1.19 subdivision 1; 203B.065; 203B.07, subdivision 3; 203B.08, subdivision 1;
- 1.20 203B.081, subdivisions 1, 3; 203B.121, subdivision 2; 203B.17, subdivision 2;
- 1.21 203B.19; 203B.21, subdivision 3; 203B.24, subdivision 1; 204B.45, subdivision
- 1.22 2; 204B.46; 204C.08, subdivision 1d; 204C.10; 206.56, subdivision 8; 256E.22,
- 1.23 subdivision 1; 609.165, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota
- 1.24 Statutes, chapters 200; 201; 203B; 204C; 243; 357; repealing Minnesota Statutes
- 1.25 2020, section 201.061, subdivision 7.

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

2.2 **ARTICLE 1**

2.3 **RESTORE FELON VOTING**

2.4 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.014, is amended by adding a subdivision  
2.5 to read:

2.6 Subd. 2a. **Felony conviction; restoration of civil right to vote.** An individual convicted  
2.7 of a felony has the civil right to vote restored when the individual completes any incarceration  
2.8 imposed and executed by the court for the offense, or upon sentencing if no incarceration  
2.9 is imposed. If the individual is later incarcerated for the same offense, the individual's civil  
2.10 right to vote is lost only during the period of incarceration.

2.11 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.071, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

2.12 Subdivision 1. **Form.** Both paper and electronic voter registration applications must  
2.13 contain the same information unless otherwise provided by law. A voter registration  
2.14 application must contain spaces for the following required information: voter's first name,  
2.15 middle name, and last name; voter's previous name, if any; voter's current address; voter's  
2.16 previous address, if any; voter's date of birth; voter's municipality and county of residence;  
2.17 voter's telephone number, if provided by the voter; date of registration; current and valid  
2.18 Minnesota driver's license number or Minnesota state identification number, or if the voter  
2.19 has no current and valid Minnesota driver's license or Minnesota state identification, the  
2.20 last four digits of the voter's Social Security number; and voter's signature. The paper  
2.21 registration application may include the voter's e-mail address, if provided by the voter. The  
2.22 electronic voter registration application must include the voter's e-mail address. The  
2.23 registration application may include the voter's interest in serving as an election judge, if  
2.24 indicated by the voter. The application must also contain the following certification of voter  
2.25 eligibility:

2.26 "I certify that I:

2.27 (1) will be at least 18 years old on election day;

2.28 (2) am a citizen of the United States;

2.29 (3) will have resided in Minnesota for 20 days immediately preceding election day;

2.30 (4) maintain residence at the address given on the registration form;

3.1 (5) am not under court-ordered guardianship in which the court order revokes my right  
3.2 to vote;

3.3 (6) have not been found by a court to be legally incompetent to vote;

3.4 (7) ~~have the right to vote because, if I have been convicted of a felony, my felony sentence~~  
3.5 ~~has expired (been completed) or I have been discharged from my sentence~~ am not currently  
3.6 incarcerated for a felony offense; and

3.7 (8) have read and understand the following statement: that giving false information is a  
3.8 felony punishable by not more than five years imprisonment or a fine of not more than  
3.9 \$10,000, or both."

3.10 The certification must include boxes for the voter to respond to the following questions:

3.11 "(1) Are you a citizen of the United States?" and

3.12 "(2) Will you be 18 years old on or before election day?"

3.13 And the instruction:

3.14 "If you checked 'no' to either of these questions, do not complete this form."

3.15 The form of the voter registration application and the certification of voter eligibility  
3.16 must be as provided in this subdivision and approved by the secretary of state. Voter  
3.17 registration forms authorized by the National Voter Registration Act must also be accepted  
3.18 as valid. The federal postcard application form must also be accepted as valid if it is not  
3.19 deficient and the voter is eligible to register in Minnesota.

3.20 An individual may use a voter registration application to apply to register to vote in  
3.21 Minnesota or to change information on an existing registration.

3.22 Sec. 3. **[201.276] DUTIES OF SECRETARY OF STATE; INFORMATION ABOUT**  
3.23 **VOTING RIGHTS.**

3.24 The secretary of state shall develop accurate and complete information in a single  
3.25 publication about the voting rights of people who have been charged with or convicted of  
3.26 a crime. This publication must be made available electronically to the state court administrator  
3.27 for distribution to judges, court personnel, probation officers, and the commissioner of  
3.28 corrections for distribution to corrections officials, parole and supervised release agents,  
3.29 and the public.

4.1 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 204C.10, is amended to read:

4.2 **204C.10 POLLING PLACE ROSTER; VOTER SIGNATURE CERTIFICATE;**  
4.3 **VOTER RECEIPT.**

4.4 (a) An individual seeking to vote shall sign a polling place roster or voter signature  
4.5 certificate which states that the individual:

4.6 (1) is at least 18 years of age;

4.7 (2) is a citizen of the United States;

4.8 (3) has resided in Minnesota for 20 days immediately preceding the election;

4.9 (4) maintains residence at the address shown;

4.10 (5) is not under a guardianship in which the court order revokes the individual's right to  
4.11 vote;

4.12 (6) has not been found by a court of law to be legally incompetent to vote or;

4.13 (7) has the right to vote because, if the individual was convicted of a felony, ~~the felony~~  
4.14 ~~sentence has expired or been completed or the individual has been discharged from the~~  
4.15 ~~sentence,~~ completed the term of incarceration, if any, for the felony offense;

4.16 (8) is registered; and

4.17 (9) has not already voted in the election.

4.18 The roster must also state: "I understand that deliberately providing false information  
4.19 is a felony punishable by not more than five years imprisonment and a fine of not more than  
4.20 \$10,000, or both."

4.21 (b) At the presidential nomination primary, the polling place roster must also state: "I  
4.22 am in general agreement with the principles of the party for whose candidate I intend to  
4.23 vote." This statement must appear separately from the statements required in paragraph (a).  
4.24 The felony penalty provided for in paragraph (a) does not apply to this paragraph.

4.25 (c) A judge may, before the applicant signs the roster or voter signature certificate,  
4.26 confirm the applicant's name, address, and date of birth.

4.27 (d) After the applicant signs the roster or voter signature certificate, the judge shall give  
4.28 the applicant a voter's receipt. The voter shall deliver the voter's receipt to the judge in  
4.29 charge of ballots as proof of the voter's right to vote, and thereupon the judge shall hand to  
4.30 the voter the ballot. The voters' receipts must be maintained during the time for notice of  
4.31 filing an election contest.

(e) Whenever a challenged status appears on the polling place roster, an election judge must ensure that the challenge is concealed or hidden from the view of any voter other than the voter whose status is challenged.

Sec. 5. **[243.205] NOTICE OF RESTORATION OF RIGHT TO VOTE.**

Subdivision 1. **Correctional facilities; designation of official.** The chief executive officer of each state and local correctional facility shall designate an official within the facility to provide the notice and application required under this section to persons to whom the civil right to vote is restored by reason of the persons' release from actual incarceration. The official shall maintain an adequate supply of voter registration applications and informational materials for this purpose.

Subd. 2. **Notice requirement.** A notice of restoration of the civil right to vote and a voter registration application must be provided as follows:

(1) the chief executive officer of each state and local correctional facility shall provide the notice and application to a person being released from the facility following incarceration for a felony-level offense; and

(2) a probation officer or supervised release agent shall provide the notice and application to all individuals under correctional supervision for a felony-level offense.

Subd. 3. **Form of notice.** The notice required by subdivision 2 must appear substantially as follows:

**"NOTICE OF RESTORATION OF YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE.**

Your receipt of this notice today means that your right to vote in Minnesota has been restored. Before you can vote on election day, you still need to register to vote. To register, you may complete a voter registration application and return it to the Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State. You may also register to vote in your polling place on election day. You will not be permitted to cast a ballot until you register to vote. The first time you appear at your polling place to cast a ballot, you may be required to provide proof of your current residence."

Subd. 4. **Failure to provide notice.** A failure to provide proper notice as required by this section does not prevent the restoration of the person's civil right to vote.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 609.165, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Restoration.** When a person has been deprived of civil rights by reason of conviction of a crime and is thereafter discharged, such discharge shall restore the person to all civil rights and to full citizenship, ~~with full right to vote and hold office~~, the same as if such conviction had not taken place, and the order of discharge shall so provide.

Sec. 7. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This article is effective August 1, 2021, and applies to elections held on or after that date.

## ARTICLE 2 ABSENTEE VOTING

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.02, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Absentee voting; eligibility.** ~~Any eligible voter may vote by absentee ballot as provided in sections 203B.04 to 203B.15.~~ (a) Any eligible voter who reasonably expects to be unable to go to the polling place on election day in the precinct where the individual maintains residence because of absence from the precinct; illness, including isolation or quarantine under sections 144.419 to 144.4196 or United States Code, title 42, sections 264 to 272; disability; religious discipline; observance of a religious holiday; or service as an election judge in another precinct may vote by absentee ballot as provided in sections 203B.04 to 203B.15.

(b) If the governor has declared an emergency and filed the declaration with the secretary of state under section 12.31, and the declaration states that the emergency has made it difficult for voters to go to the polling place on election day, any voter in a precinct covered by the declaration may vote by absentee ballot as provided in sections 203B.04 to 203B.15.

Sec. 2. **[203B.031] ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS; DISTRIBUTION PROHIBITION.**

The following individuals or entities or an agent of the following individuals or entities are prohibited from mailing, offering, providing, or in any other way distributing absentee ballot applications to an individual:

(1) a candidate, as defined in section 10A.01, subdivision 10;

(2) a political party unit, as defined in section 10A.01, subdivision 30; and

7.1 (3) a principal campaign committee, as defined in section 10A.01, subdivision 34.

7.2 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.04, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

7.3 Subdivision 1. **Application procedures.** (a) Except as otherwise allowed by subdivision  
7.4 2 or by section 203B.11, subdivision 4, an application for absentee ballots for any election  
7.5 may be submitted at any time not less than one day before the day of that election. The  
7.6 county auditor shall prepare absentee ballot application forms in the format provided by the  
7.7 secretary of state and shall furnish them to any person on request. By January 1 of each  
7.8 even-numbered year, the secretary of state shall make the forms to be used available to  
7.9 auditors through electronic means. An application submitted pursuant to this subdivision  
7.10 shall be in writing. An application may be submitted in person, by electronic facsimile  
7.11 device, by electronic mail, or by mail to:

7.12 (1) the county auditor of the county where the applicant maintains residence; or

7.13 (2) the municipal clerk of the municipality, or school district if applicable, where the  
7.14 applicant maintains residence.

7.15 For a federal, state, or county election, an absentee ballot application may alternatively be  
7.16 submitted electronically through a secure website that shall be maintained by the secretary  
7.17 of state for this purpose. Notwithstanding paragraph (b), the secretary of state must require  
7.18 applicants using the website to submit the applicant's e-mail address and verifiable Minnesota  
7.19 driver's license number, Minnesota state identification card number, or the last four digits  
7.20 of the applicant's Social Security number.

7.21 An application submitted electronically under this paragraph may only be transmitted to  
7.22 the county auditor for processing if the secretary of state has verified the application  
7.23 information matches the information in a government database associated with the applicant's  
7.24 driver's license number, state identification card number, or Social Security number. The  
7.25 secretary of state must review all unverifiable applications for evidence of suspicious activity  
7.26 and must forward any such application to an appropriate law enforcement agency for  
7.27 investigation.

7.28 (b) An application shall be approved if it is timely received, signed and dated by the  
7.29 applicant, contains the applicant's name and residence and mailing addresses, date of birth,  
7.30 and at least one of the following:

7.31 (1) the applicant's Minnesota driver's license number;

7.32 (2) Minnesota state identification card number;

8.1 (3) the last four digits of the applicant's Social Security number; or

8.2 (4) a statement that the applicant does not have any of these numbers.

8.3 (c) To be approved, the application must state that the applicant is eligible to vote by  
8.4 absentee ballot for one of the reasons specified in section 203B.02, and must contain an  
8.5 oath that the information contained on the form is accurate, that the applicant is applying  
8.6 on the applicant's own behalf, and that the applicant is signing the form under penalty of  
8.7 perjury.

8.8 (d) An applicant's full date of birth, Minnesota driver's license or state identification  
8.9 number, and the last four digits of the applicant's Social Security number must not be made  
8.10 available for public inspection. An application may be submitted to the county auditor or  
8.11 municipal clerk by an electronic facsimile device. An application mailed or returned in  
8.12 person to the county auditor or municipal clerk on behalf of a voter by a person other than  
8.13 the voter must be deposited in the mail or returned in person to the county auditor or  
8.14 municipal clerk within ten days after it has been dated by the voter and no later than six  
8.15 days before the election. The absentee ballot applications or a list of persons applying for  
8.16 an absentee ballot may not be made available for public inspection until the close of voting  
8.17 on election day, except as authorized in section 203B.12.

8.18 (e) An application under this subdivision may contain an application under subdivision  
8.19 5 to automatically receive an absentee ballot application.

8.20 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.04, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

8.21 Subd. 5. **Permanent absentee voter status.** (a) An eligible voter who reasonably expects  
8.22 to be permanently unable to go to the polling place on election day because of illness or  
8.23 disability may apply to a county auditor or municipal clerk under this section to automatically  
8.24 receive an absentee ballot application before each election, other than an election by mail  
8.25 conducted under section 204B.45, and to have the status as a permanent absentee voter  
8.26 indicated on the voter's registration record. ~~An eligible voter listed as an ongoing absentee~~  
8.27 ~~voter as of July 31, 2013, pursuant to laws in effect on that date, shall be treated as if the~~  
8.28 ~~voter applied for status as a permanent absentee voter pursuant to this subdivision.~~

8.29 (b) ~~A voter who applies under paragraph (a) must automatically be provided an absentee~~  
8.30 ~~ballot application for each eligible election. A voter's permanent absentee status ends and~~  
8.31 ~~automatic ballot application delivery must be terminated on:~~

8.32 (1) ~~the voter's written request;~~

8.33 (2) ~~the voter's death;~~



9.1 ~~(3) return of an absentee ballot as undeliverable; or~~

9.2 ~~(4) a change in the voter's status to "challenged" or "inactive" in the statewide voter~~  
 9.3 ~~registration system.~~

9.4 ~~(e)~~ (b) The secretary of state shall adopt rules governing procedures under this  
 9.5 subdivision.

9.6 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.04, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 9.7 read:

9.8 Subd. 6a. **Ongoing absentee status; termination.** (a) An eligible voter may apply to a  
 9.9 county auditor or municipal clerk for status as an ongoing absentee voter who reasonably  
 9.10 expects to meet the requirements of section 203B.02, subdivision 1. Each applicant must  
 9.11 automatically be provided with an absentee ballot application for each ensuing election  
 9.12 other than an election by mail conducted under section 204B.45, and must have the status  
 9.13 of ongoing absentee voter indicated on the voter's registration record.

9.14 (b) Ongoing absentee voter status ends on:

9.15 (1) the voter's written request;

9.16 (2) the voter's death;

9.17 (3) return of an ongoing absentee ballot as undeliverable;

9.18 (4) a change in the voter's status so that the voter is not eligible to vote; or

9.19 (5) placement of the voter's registration on inactive status under section 201.171.

9.20 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.06, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

9.21 Subdivision 1. **Printing and delivery of forms.** Each county auditor and municipal  
 9.22 clerk shall prepare and print a sufficient number of blank application forms for absentee  
 9.23 ballots. The county auditor or municipal clerk shall deliver a blank application form to any  
 9.24 voter who requests one pursuant to section 203B.04. Blank application forms must be mailed  
 9.25 to eligible voters who have requested an application pursuant to section 203B.04, subdivision  
 9.26 5 or 6a, at least 60 days before:

9.27 (1) each regularly scheduled primary for federal, state, county, city, or school board  
 9.28 office;

9.29 (2) each regularly scheduled general election for city or school board office for which  
 9.30 a primary is not held; and

10.1 (3) a special primary to fill a federal or county office vacancy or special election to fill  
10.2 a federal or county office vacancy, if a primary is not required to be held pursuant to section  
10.3 204D.03, subdivision 3, or 204D.07, subdivision 3; and

10.4 (4) any election held in conjunction with an election described in clauses (1) to (3);  
10.5 or at least 45 days before any other primary or other election for which a primary is not  
10.6 held.

10.7 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.081, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

10.8 Subdivision 1. **Location; timing.** An eligible voter may vote by absentee ballot in the  
10.9 office of the county auditor and at any other polling place designated by the county auditor  
10.10 during the ~~46~~ ten days before the election, except as provided in this section.

10.11 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.081, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

10.12 Subd. 3. **Alternative procedure.** (a) The county auditor may make available a ballot  
10.13 counter and ballot box for use by the voters during the ~~seven~~ ten days before the election.  
10.14 If a ballot counter and ballot box is provided, a voter must be given the option either (1) to  
10.15 vote using the process provided in section 203B.08, subdivision 1, or (2) to vote in the  
10.16 manner provided in this subdivision.

10.17 (b) If a voter chooses to vote in the manner provided in this subdivision, the voter must  
10.18 state the voter's name, address, and date of birth to the county auditor or municipal clerk.  
10.19 The voter shall sign a voter's certificate, which must include the voter's name, identification  
10.20 number, and the certification required by section 201.071, subdivision 1. The signature of  
10.21 an individual on the voter's certificate and the issuance of a ballot to the individual is evidence  
10.22 of the intent of the individual to vote at that election.

10.23 (c) After signing the voter's certificate, the voter shall be issued a ballot and immediately  
10.24 retire to a voting station or other designated location in the polling place to mark the ballot.  
10.25 The ballot must not be taken from the polling place. If the voter spoils the ballot, the voter  
10.26 may return it to the election official in exchange for a new ballot. After completing the  
10.27 ballot, the voter shall deposit the ballot into the ballot box.

10.28 (d) The election official must immediately record that the voter has voted in the manner  
10.29 provided in section 203B.121, subdivision 3.

10.30 (e) The election duties required by this subdivision must be performed by the county  
10.31 auditor, municipal clerk, or a deputy of the auditor or clerk.

11.1      **Sec. 9. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

11.2 This article is effective the day following final enactment and applies to elections held  
11.3 on or after that date.

11.4 **ARTICLE 3**  
11.5 **VOTER IDENTIFICATION**

11.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 13.6905, is amended by adding a subdivision

11.7 to read:

11.8 Subd. 36. **Voter identification card.** Applicant data related to a voter identification  
11.9 card is governed by section 171.06, subdivision 3c.

11.10 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

11.11 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 144.226, is amended by adding a subdivision to

11.12 read:

11.13 Subd. 7. Documents required for voter identification card. (a) Notwithstanding  
11.14 provisions to the contrary in this section, the state registrar or a local issuance officer must  
11.15 not charge a fee or surcharge for a certified vital record if the applicant attests that the record  
11.16 is needed to obtain a voter identification card issued pursuant to section 171.07, subdivision  
11.17 3b.

11.18 (b) The state registrar and local issuance offices must report each year to the commissioner  
11.19 of management and budget the number of records obtained under this subdivision for which  
11.20 no fee or surcharge was charged.

11.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

11.22 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 144.226, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
11.23 read:

11.24        Subd. 8. **Appropriations and transfers.** (a) Each year, an amount equal to the total  
11.25        number of records reported to the commissioner of management and budget under subdivision  
11.26        7, paragraph (b), for that year times the amount of the surcharge under subdivision 3,  
11.27        paragraph (b), is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of health for the  
11.28        administration of this section.

11.29 (b) Each year, an amount equal to the total number of records reported to the  
11.30 commissioner of management and budget under subdivision 7, paragraph (b), for that year

12.1 times the amount of the surcharge under subdivision 4, is transferred from the general fund  
12.2 to the state government special revenue fund. This amount is appropriated annually from  
12.3 the state government special revenue fund to the commissioner of health for the  
12.4 administration of this section.

12.5 (c) Each year, an amount equal to the total number of records reported to the  
12.6 commissioner of management and budget under subdivision 7, paragraph (b), for that year  
12.7 times the amount of the surcharge under subdivision 3, paragraph (a), is transferred from  
12.8 the general fund to the account for the children's trust fund for the prevention of child abuse  
12.9 established under section 256E.22.

12.10 (d) Each year an amount equal to the number of records reported to the commissioner  
12.11 of management and budget by the state registrar under subdivision 7, paragraph (b), for that  
12.12 year times the amount of the fee under subdivision 1, paragraph (b), is transferred from the  
12.13 general fund to the state government special revenue fund. This amount is appropriated  
12.14 annually from the state government special revenue fund to the commissioner of health for  
12.15 the administration of this section.

12.16 (e) The commissioner of health must transmit payment of \$9 to a local issuance office  
12.17 for each certified vital record issued for no charge under subdivision 7, paragraph (a). Each  
12.18 year, an amount equal to the number of records reported to the commissioner of management  
12.19 and budget by local issuance offices under subdivision 7, paragraph (b), for that year times  
12.20 the amount of the fee under subdivision 1, paragraph (b), is appropriated from the general  
12.21 fund to the commissioner of health to make payments under this paragraph.

12.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

12.23 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.06, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

12.24 Subdivision 1. **Application format and requirements.** Every application for a Minnesota  
12.25 identification card, including an enhanced identification card, or for a driver's license,  
12.26 including an instruction permit, a provisional license, ~~and~~ an enhanced driver's license, or  
12.27 voter identification card, must be made in a format approved by the department. Every  
12.28 application must be accompanied by payment of the proper fee except for an application  
12.29 for a voter identification card issued pursuant to section 171.07, subdivision 3b. All applicants  
12.30 must sign the application and declare, under penalty of perjury, that the information and  
12.31 documentation presented in the application is true and correct. All applications requiring  
12.32 evidence of legal presence in the United States or United States citizenship must be signed  
12.33 in the presence of the person authorized to accept the application, or the signature on the  
12.34 application may be verified by a notary public.

13.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

13.2 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.06, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

13.3 Subd. 2. **Fees.** (a) The fees for a license and Minnesota identification card are as follows:

13.4	REAL ID Compliant or				
13.5	Noncompliant Classified				
13.6	Driver's License	D-\$21.00	C-\$25.00	B-\$32.00	A-\$40.00
13.7	REAL ID Compliant or				
13.8	Noncompliant Classified				
13.9	Under-21 D.L.	D-\$21.00	C-\$25.00	B-\$32.00	A-\$20.00
13.10	Enhanced Driver's License	D-\$36.00	C-\$40.00	B-\$47.00	A-\$55.00
13.11	REAL ID Compliant or				
13.12	Noncompliant Instruction				
13.13	Permit				\$5.25
13.14	Enhanced Instruction				
13.15	Permit				\$20.25
13.16	Commercial Learner's				
13.17	Permit				\$2.50
13.18	REAL ID Compliant or				
13.19	Noncompliant Provisional				
13.20	License				\$8.25
13.21	Enhanced Provisional				
13.22	License				\$23.25
13.23	Duplicate REAL ID				
13.24	Compliant or Noncompliant				
13.25	License or duplicate REAL				
13.26	ID Compliant or				
13.27	Noncompliant				
13.28	identification card				\$6.75
13.29	Enhanced Duplicate				
13.30	License or enhanced				
13.31	duplicate identification card				\$21.75
13.32	REAL ID Compliant or				
13.33	Noncompliant Minnesota				
13.34	identification card or REAL				
13.35	ID Compliant or				
13.36	Noncompliant Under-21				
13.37	Minnesota identification				
13.38	card, other than duplicate,				
13.39	except as otherwise				
13.40	provided in section 171.07,				
13.41	subdivisions 3 and 3a				\$11.25
13.42	Enhanced Minnesota				
13.43	identification card				\$26.25

14.1 From August 1, 2019, to June 30, 2022, the fee is increased by \$0.75 for REAL ID compliant  
14.2 or noncompliant classified driver's licenses, REAL ID compliant or noncompliant classified  
14.3 under-21 driver's licenses, and enhanced driver's licenses.

14.4 (b) In addition to each fee required in paragraph (a), the commissioner shall collect a  
14.5 surcharge of \$2.25. Surcharges collected under this paragraph must be credited to the driver  
14.6 and vehicle services technology account under section 299A.705.

14.7 (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), an individual who holds a provisional license and  
14.8 has a driving record free of (1) convictions for a violation of section 169A.20, 169A.33,  
14.9 169A.35, sections 169A.50 to 169A.53, or section 171.177, (2) convictions for crash-related  
14.10 moving violations, and (3) convictions for moving violations that are not crash related, shall  
14.11 have a \$3.50 credit toward the fee for any classified under-21 driver's license. "Moving  
14.12 violation" has the meaning given it in section 171.04, subdivision 1.

14.13 (d) In addition to the driver's license fee required under paragraph (a), the commissioner  
14.14 shall collect an additional \$4 processing fee from each new applicant or individual renewing  
14.15 a license with a school bus endorsement to cover the costs for processing an applicant's  
14.16 initial and biennial physical examination certificate. The department shall not charge these  
14.17 applicants any other fee to receive or renew the endorsement.

14.18 (e) In addition to the fee required under paragraph (a), a driver's license agent may charge  
14.19 and retain a filing fee as provided under section 171.061, subdivision 4.

14.20 (f) In addition to the fee required under paragraph (a), the commissioner shall charge a  
14.21 filing fee at the same amount as a driver's license agent under section 171.061, subdivision  
14.22 4. Revenue collected under this paragraph must be deposited in the driver services operating  
14.23 account under section 299A.705.

14.24 (g) An application for a Minnesota identification card, instruction permit, provisional  
14.25 license, or driver's license, including an application for renewal, must contain a provision  
14.26 that allows the applicant to add to the fee under paragraph (a), a \$2 donation for the purposes  
14.27 of public information and education on anatomical gifts under section 171.075.

14.28 (h) The commissioner or driver's license agent must not collect any fee or surcharge for  
14.29 a voter identification card issued pursuant to section 171.07, subdivision 3b.

14.30 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

15.1 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.06, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
15.2 read:

15.3 Subd. 3c. **Application for voter identification card.** (a) An application for a voter  
15.4 identification card, including a renewal or duplicate card, must:

15.5 (1) state the applicant's full legal name, date of birth, sex, residence address, and (i) last  
15.6 four digits of the applicant's Social Security number, or (ii) certification that the applicant  
15.7 has not been assigned a Social Security number;

15.8 (2) provide a description of the applicant in the same manner as required on an application  
15.9 for a Minnesota driver's license;

15.10 (3) provide proof of the applicant's United States citizenship by presenting a document  
15.11 included in Minnesota Rules, part 7410.0400, subpart 1, item D;

15.12 (4) state the length of residence at the applicant's current address; and

15.13 (5) present a photographic identity document described in section 200.035 or affirm  
15.14 under penalty of perjury that the applicant has a religious objection to the use of a  
15.15 photographic image.

15.16 (b) Applicant data, submitted pursuant to this subdivision, is private data on individuals,  
15.17 as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 12.

15.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

15.19 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.061, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

15.20 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section:

15.21 (1) "applicant" means an individual applying for a driver's license, provisional license,  
15.22 restricted license, duplicate license, instruction permit, Minnesota identification card, voter  
15.23 identification card, or motorized bicycle operator's permit; and

15.24 (2) "application" refers to an application for a driver's license, provisional license,  
15.25 restricted license, duplicate license, instruction permit, Minnesota identification card, voter  
15.26 identification card, or motorized bicycle operator's permit.

15.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

15.28 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.061, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

15.29 Subd. 3. **Application.** An applicant may file an application with an agent. The agent  
15.30 shall receive and accept applications in accordance with the laws and rules of the Department

of Public Safety for a noncompliant driver's license or identification card; an enhanced driver's license or identification card; a REAL ID compliant driver's license or identification card; restricted license; duplicate license; instruction permit; voter identification card; or motorized bicycle operator's permit. Application records must be maintained at the office of the agent in a manner that complies with sections 13.05, subdivision 5, and 13.055. As an alternative to paper copy storage, an agent may retain records and documents in a secure electronic medium that complies with the security requirements under the United States Federal Bureau of Investigation, Criminal Justice Information Services Division, Policy 5.4 or any successor policy, provided 60 days have elapsed since the transaction and subject to standards established by the commissioner. The agent is responsible for all costs associated with the conversion to electronic records and maintenance of the electronic storage medium, including the destruction of existing paper records after conversion to the electronic format. All queries and responses in the secure electronic medium, and all actions in which data are entered, updated, accessed, or shared or disseminated by the agent must be contained in a data audit trail. Data contained in the audit trail are public to the extent the data are not otherwise classified under this section.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.061, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

**Subd. 4. Fee; equipment.** (a) The agent may charge and retain a filing fee of \$8 for each application, except for an application for a voter identification card issued pursuant to section 171.07, subdivision 3b, for which no filing fee may be charged. Except as provided in paragraph (c), the fee shall cover all expenses involved in receiving, accepting, or forwarding to the department the applications and fees required under sections 171.02, subdivision 3; 171.06, subdivisions 2 and 2a; and 171.07, subdivisions 3 and 3a.

(b) The statutory fees and the filing fees imposed under paragraph (a) may be paid by credit card or debit card. The driver's license agent may collect a convenience fee on the statutory fees and filing fees not greater than the cost of processing a credit card or debit card transaction. The convenience fee must be used to pay the cost of processing credit card and debit card transactions. The commissioner shall adopt rules to administer this paragraph using the exempt procedures of section 14.386, except that section 14.386, paragraph (b), does not apply.

(c) The department shall maintain the photo identification equipment for all agents appointed as of January 1, 2000. Upon the retirement, resignation, death, or discontinuance of an existing agent, and if a new agent is appointed in an existing office pursuant to



Minnesota Rules, chapter 7404, and notwithstanding the above or Minnesota Rules, part 7404.0400, the department shall provide and maintain photo identification equipment without additional cost to a newly appointed agent in that office if the office was provided the equipment by the department before January 1, 2000. All photo identification equipment must be compatible with standards established by the department.

(d) A filing fee retained by the agent employed by a county board must be paid into the county treasury and credited to the general revenue fund of the county. An agent who is not an employee of the county shall retain the filing fee in lieu of county employment or salary and is considered an independent contractor for pension purposes, coverage under the Minnesota State Retirement System, or membership in the Public Employees Retirement Association.

(e) Before the end of the first working day following the final day of the reporting period established by the department, the agent must forward to the department all applications and fees collected during the reporting period except as provided in paragraph (d).

(f) The commissioner must transmit payment to the agent of \$8 for each application for a voter identification card issued pursuant to section 171.07, subdivision 3b. An agent employed by a county board must remit the payments to the county under paragraph (d). All other agents may retain the payments.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.07, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. **Filing photograph or image; data classification.** The department shall file, or contract to file, all photographs or electronically produced images obtained in the process of issuing drivers' licenses ~~or~~ Minnesota identification cards, or voter identification cards. The photographs or electronically produced images shall be private data pursuant to section 13.02, subdivision 12. Notwithstanding section 13.04, subdivision 3, the department shall not be required to provide copies of photographs or electronically produced images to data subjects. The use of the files is restricted:

(1) to the issuance and control of drivers' licenses and voter identification cards;

(2) to criminal justice agencies, as defined in section 299C.46, subdivision 2, for the investigation and prosecution of crimes, service of process, enforcement of no contact orders, location of missing persons, investigation and preparation of cases for criminal, juvenile, and traffic court, location of individuals required to register under section 243.166 or 243.167, and supervision of offenders;

(3) to public defenders, as defined in section 611.272, for the investigation and preparation of cases for criminal, juvenile, and traffic courts;

(4) to child support enforcement purposes under section 256.978; and

(5) to a county medical examiner or coroner as required by section 390.005 as necessary to fulfill the duties under sections 390.11 and 390.25.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.07, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

**Subd. 3b. Voter identification cards.** (a) A voter identification card must be issued to a qualifying applicant who, on the election day next occurring after the date of issuance, will meet the voter eligibility requirements of the Minnesota Constitution and Minnesota Statutes, and who does not possess a current Minnesota driver's license or Minnesota identification card.

(b) A voter identification card must bear a distinguishing number assigned to the applicant, the applicant's full name and date of birth, the applicant's address of residence, a description of the applicant in the same manner as provided on a Minnesota driver's license, the date of the card's expiration, and the usual signature of the applicant. The card must bear a colored photograph or an electronically produced image of the applicant, or, for an applicant who has affirmed a religious objection under section 171.06, subdivision 3c, paragraph (a), clause (5), the card must bear the words "Valid without photograph."

(c) A voter identification card is not valid identification for any purpose other than proving identity and residence for voting purposes.

(d) A voter identification card must be of a different color scheme than a Minnesota driver's license or state identification card, but must incorporate the same information and security features as provided in subdivision 9.

(e) Each voter identification card must be plainly marked: "Voter Identification Card. Valid Identification Only for Voting."

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.07, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

**Subd. 4. Identification card expiration.** (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, the expiration date of a Minnesota identification card or voter identification

19.1 card is the birthday of the applicant in the fourth year following the date of issuance of the  
19.2 card.

19.3 (b) For an applicant age 65 or older:

19.4 (1) the expiration date of a Minnesota identification card or voter identification card is  
19.5 the birthday of the applicant in the eighth year following the date of issuance of the card;  
19.6 or

19.7 (2) a noncompliant identification card is valid for the lifetime of the applicant.

19.8 (c) For the purposes of paragraph (b), "Minnesota identification card" does not include  
19.9 an enhanced identification card issued to an applicant age 65 or older.

19.10 (d) The expiration date for an Under-21 identification card is the cardholder's 21st  
19.11 birthday. The commissioner shall issue an identification card to a holder of an Under-21  
19.12 identification card who applies for the card, pays the required fee, and presents proof of  
19.13 identity and age, unless the commissioner determines that the applicant is not qualified for  
19.14 the identification card.

19.15 (e) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) to (d), the expiration date for an identification card  
19.16 issued to a person with temporary lawful status is the last day of the person's legal stay in  
19.17 the United States, or one year after issuance if the last day of the person's legal stay is not  
19.18 identified.

19.19 (f) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) to (d), a voter identification card issued pursuant to  
19.20 section 171.07, subdivision 3b, to a person then or subsequently serving outside Minnesota  
19.21 in active military service, as defined in section 190.05, subdivision 5, in any branch or unit  
19.22 of the armed forces of the United States, or the person's spouse, continues in full force and  
19.23 effect without requirement for renewal until the date one year following the service member's  
19.24 separation or discharge from active military service, or until the cardholder's birthday in  
19.25 the fourth full year following the person's most recent card renewal or until the person's  
19.26 birthday in the third full year following the renewal.

19.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

19.28 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.07, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

19.29 Subd. 14. **Use of Social Security number.** An applicant's Social Security number must  
19.30 not be displayed, encrypted, or encoded on the driver's license ~~or~~ Minnesota identification  
19.31 card, or voter identification card or included in a magnetic strip or bar code used to store

20.1 data on the license or Minnesota identification card. The Social Security number must not  
20.2 be used as a Minnesota driver's license or identification number.

20.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

20.4 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.071, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

20.5 Subdivision 1. **Religious objection.** Notwithstanding the provisions of section 171.07,  
20.6 the commissioner of public safety may adopt rules to permit identification on a driver's  
20.7 license ~~or~~, Minnesota identification card, or voter identification card in lieu of a photograph  
20.8 or electronically produced image where the commissioner finds that the licensee has religious  
20.9 objections to the use of a photograph or electronically produced image.

20.10 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

20.11 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.071, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

20.12 Subd. 2. **Certain head wear permitted.** If an accident involving a head injury, serious  
20.13 illness, or treatment of the illness has resulted in hair loss by an applicant for a driver's  
20.14 license ~~or~~, identification card, or voter identification card, the commissioner shall permit  
20.15 the applicant to wear a hat or similar head wear in the photograph or electronically produced  
20.16 image. The hat or head wear must be of an appropriate size and type to allow identification  
20.17 of the holder of the license or card and must not obscure the holder's face.

20.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

20.19 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.10, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

20.20 Subdivision 1. **Duplicate license.** In the event that an instruction permit, provisional  
20.21 license, ~~or~~ driver's license, or voter identification card issued under the provisions of this  
20.22 chapter is lost or destroyed, or becomes illegible, the person to whom the same was issued  
20.23 shall obtain a duplicate thereof, furnishing proof satisfactory to the department that such  
20.24 permit or license has been lost or destroyed or has become illegible, and make payment of  
20.25 the required fee.

20.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

20.27 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.11, is amended to read:

20.28 **171.11 DUPLICATE LICENSE; CHANGE OF DOMICILE OR NAME.**

20.29 Subdivision 1. Duplicate driver's license. When any person, after applying for or  
20.30 receiving a driver's license, shall change permanent domicile from the address named in

21.1 such application or in the license issued to the person, or shall change a name by marriage  
21.2 or otherwise, such person shall, within 30 days thereafter, apply for a duplicate driver's  
21.3 license upon a form furnished by the department and pay the required fee. The application  
21.4 or duplicate license shall show both the licensee's old address and new address or the former  
21.5 name and new name as the case may be.

21.6 Subd. 2. Duplicate voter identification card. A voter identification cardholder who  
21.7 changes residence address or name from the address or name stated on the card must not  
21.8 present the card for voting purposes, but must apply for a duplicate voter identification card  
21.9 on a form furnished by the department within 30 days of the address or name change. The  
21.10 application for a duplicate voter identification card must show the cardholder's former  
21.11 address and current address, along with length of residence at the current address, and the  
21.12 cardholder's former name and current name, as applicable.

21.13 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective June 1, 2022.

21.14 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.12, subdivision 3c, is amended to read:

21.15 Subd. 3c. **Record retention; birth certificates.** (a) If the procedures established by the  
21.16 commissioner for driver's license or, Minnesota identification card, or voter identification  
21.17 card records include retention of a physical copy or digital image of a birth certificate, the  
21.18 commissioner must:

21.19 (1) notify a driver's license or identification card applicant of the retention procedure;  
21.20 and

21.21 (2) allow the applicant, licensee, or identification cardholder to designate that the  
21.22 applicant, licensee, or identification cardholder's birth certificate physical copy or digital  
21.23 image must not be retained.

21.24 (b) The commissioner must not retain a birth certificate if directed by an applicant,  
21.25 licensee, or identification cardholder under paragraph (a), clause (2), but must record and  
21.26 retain data on the birth certificate required under Code of Federal Regulations, title 6, section  
21.27 37.31(c).

21.28 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective June 1, 2022.

22.1 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.121, is amended to read:

22.2 **171.121 USE OF ANOTHER'S RESIDENCE ADDRESS.**

22.3 A person may notify the commissioner in writing to the effect that the person (1) is the  
22.4 owner of a residence, and (2) does not consent to have that residence address identified on  
22.5 any driver's license ~~or~~ identification card, voter identification card, or driving record of the  
22.6 department as the residence address or permanent mailing address of any person named in  
22.7 the notice. The notice may not name a spouse of the notifying person. Upon receiving the  
22.8 notice the commissioner shall not issue any license ~~or~~ identification card, or voter  
22.9 identification card under this chapter, or accept an application for a license ~~or~~ identification  
22.10 card, or voter identification card under this chapter, that lists the residence address identified  
22.11 in the notice as the residence address or permanent mailing address of any person named  
22.12 in the notice.

22.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

22.14 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.14, is amended to read:

22.15 **171.14 CANCELLATION.**

22.16 **Subdivision 1. Cancellation of driver's license.** (a) The commissioner may cancel any  
22.17 driver's license upon determination that (1) the licensee was not entitled to the issuance of  
22.18 the license, (2) the licensee failed to give the required or correct information in the  
22.19 application, (3) the licensee committed any fraud or deceit in making the application, or (4)  
22.20 the person, at the time of the cancellation, would not have been entitled to receive a license  
22.21 under section 171.04.

22.22 (b) The commissioner shall cancel the driver's license of a person described in paragraph  
22.23 (a), clause (3), for 60 days or until the required or correct information has been provided,  
22.24 whichever is longer.

22.25 **Subd. 2. Cancellation of voter identification card.** (a) The commissioner must cancel  
22.26 any voter identification card issued pursuant to section 171.07, subdivision 3b, upon  
22.27 determination that (1) the cardholder was not entitled to the issuance of the card, (2) the  
22.28 cardholder failed to give the required or correct information in the application, (3) the  
22.29 cardholder committed any fraud or deceit in making the application, or (4) the cardholder,  
22.30 at the time of the cancellation, would not have been entitled to receive a voter identification  
22.31 card under section 171.07, subdivision 3b.

22.32 (b) The commissioner must cancel the voter identification card issued pursuant to section  
22.33 171.07, subdivision 3b, of a person described in paragraph (a) until the person completes

23.1 the application process under section 171.07, subdivision 3b, and complies in all respects  
23.2 with the requirements of the commissioner.

23.3 (c) The commissioner must immediately notify the holder of a voter identification card  
23.4 issued pursuant to section 171.07, subdivision 3b, of a cancellation of the card. Notification  
23.5 must be by mail and addressed to the cardholder's last known address.

23.6 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

23.7 Sec. 21. **[200.035] DOCUMENTATION OF IDENTITY AND RESIDENCE.**

23.8 (a) The following are sufficient proof of identity and residence for purposes of election  
23.9 day voter registration under section 201.061, subdivision 3; absentee voting under sections  
23.10 203B.04, 203B.07, and 203B.08; photo identification requirements under section 204C.10;  
23.11 and for determining whether to count a provisional ballot under section 204C.135, subdivision  
23.12 2:

23.13 (1) an unexpired driver's license, state identification card, or voter identification card  
23.14 issued to the voter by the Department of Public Safety that contains the voter's photograph  
23.15 and current address of residence in the precinct;

23.16 (2) a valid United States military identification card issued to the voter by the Department  
23.17 of Defense that contains the voter's photograph and current address of residence in the  
23.18 precinct;

23.19 (3) an unexpired identification card issued to the voter by the tribal government of a  
23.20 tribe recognized by the Bureau of Indian Affairs that contains a photograph of the voter,  
23.21 the voter's current address of residence in the precinct, and any other items of data required  
23.22 to be contained on a Minnesota identification card, as provided in section 171.07, subdivision  
23.23 3, paragraphs (a) and (b);

23.24 (4) an original receipt, issued within the past 150 days, for a new, renewed, or updated  
23.25 driver's license, state identification card, or voter identification card issued to the voter under  
23.26 section 171.07 that contains the voter's photograph and current address of residence in the  
23.27 precinct. If the receipt does not include a photograph, one of the following documents that  
23.28 contains a photograph of the voter must be provided:

23.29 (i) a driver's license, identification card, or voter identification card that is expired or  
23.30 does not contain the voter's current address of residence, issued to the voter by the state of  
23.31 Minnesota or any other state of the United States as defined in section 645.44, subdivision  
23.32 11;

- 24.1 (ii) a United States passport, issued to the voter;
- 24.2 (iii) an identification card issued by a branch, department, agency, entity, or subdivision
- 24.3 of Minnesota or the federal government;
- 24.4 (iv) an identification card issued by an accredited postsecondary institution with a campus
- 24.5 located within Minnesota, if a list of students from that institution has been prepared under
- 24.6 section 135A.17, and certified to the county auditor in the manner provided in rules of the
- 24.7 secretary of state; or
- 24.8 (v) an identification card issued to the voter by the tribal government of a tribe recognized
- 24.9 by the Bureau of Indian Affairs;
- 24.10 (5) one of the following documents issued to the voter that includes a photograph but
- 24.11 not the voter's current address of residence in the precinct:
- 24.12 (i) a United States passport;
- 24.13 (ii) an identification card issued to the voter by the tribal government of a tribe recognized
- 24.14 by the Bureau of Indian Affairs; or
- 24.15 (iii) a valid United States military identification card;
- 24.16 along with one of the following documents that contains the voter's name and current address
- 24.17 of residence in the precinct:
- 24.18 (i) a home utility services bill issued within the past 12 months;
- 24.19 (ii) a home utility services hook-up work order issued within the past 12 months;
- 24.20 (iii) United States bank or financial information issued within the past 12 months, with
- 24.21 account numbers redacted, including a bank account statement, a credit card or debit card
- 24.22 statement, a brokerage account statement; or a money market account statement;;
- 24.23 (iv) a certified transcript from a United States high school, if issued within the past 180
- 24.24 days;
- 24.25 (v) a certified transcript from a Minnesota college or university if issued within the past
- 24.26 180 days;
- 24.27 (vi) an employment pay stub issued within the past 12 months that lists the employer's
- 24.28 name and address;
- 24.29 (vii) a Minnesota unemployment insurance benefit statement issued within the past 12
- 24.30 months;



- 25.1 (viii) a statement from a housing with services establishment registered under section  
25.2 144D, nursing home licensed under section 144A, or a boarding care facility licensed under  
25.3 sections 144.50 to 144.56, that was issued within the past 90 days;
- 25.4 (ix) a current policy or card for health, automobile, homeowner's, or renter's insurance;
- 25.5 (x) a federal or state income tax return or statement for the most recent tax filing year;
- 25.6 (xi) a Minnesota property tax statement for the current or prior calendar year or a proposed  
25.7 Minnesota property tax notice for the current year that shows the applicant's principal  
25.8 residential address both on the mailing portion and the portion stating what property is being  
25.9 taxed;
- 25.10 (xii) a Minnesota vehicle certificate of title;
- 25.11 (xiii) a filed property deed or title for current residence;
- 25.12 (xiv) a Supplemental Security Income award statement issued within the past 12 months;
- 25.13 (xv) mortgage documents for the applicant's principal residence;
- 25.14 (xvi) a residential lease agreement for the applicant's principal residence issued within  
25.15 the past 12 months;
- 25.16 (xvii) an unexpired Minnesota professional license;
- 25.17 (xviii) an unexpired Selective Service card;
- 25.18 (xix) military orders that are still in effect at the time of application;
- 25.19 (xx) a cellular phone bill issued no more than 12 months before the application; or
- 25.20 (xxi) a valid license issued pursuant to the game and fish laws;
- 25.21 (6) if the voter is a student, a driver's license, identification card, or voter identification  
25.22 card issued by Minnesota or any other state of the United States as defined in section 645.44,  
25.23 subdivision 11, that contains a photograph of the voter but does not contain the voter's  
25.24 current address of residence, along with a current student fee statement that contains the  
25.25 student's valid address of residence in the precinct; or
- 25.26 (7) if the voter maintains residence in a residential facility located in the precinct, a  
25.27 driver's license or identification card issued to the voter by the Department of Public Safety  
25.28 that contains the voter's photograph along with a certification of residence in the facility,  
25.29 signed by the facility administrator on a form prescribed by the secretary of state.
- 25.30 (b) The documents specified in paragraph (a) are the only documents that may be accepted  
25.31 to prove identity and residence. Identification issued by counties, home rule charter or

26.1 statutory cities, towns, or school districts are not acceptable to prove identity or residence  
26.2 unless explicitly authorized by paragraph (a).

26.3 (c) As used in this section, "residential facility" means transitional housing as defined  
26.4 in section 256E.33, subdivision 1; a supervised living facility licensed by the commissioner  
26.5 of health under section 144.50, subdivision 6; a swing bed in a hospital licensed by the  
26.6 commissioner of health under sections 144.50 to 144.56; a certified boarding care home  
26.7 licensed by the commissioner of health under sections 144.50 to 144.56; a nursing home as  
26.8 defined in section 144A.01, subdivision 5; a residence registered with the commissioner of  
26.9 health as a housing with services establishment as defined in section 144D.01, subdivision  
26.10 4; an assisted living facility licensed by the commissioner of health under chapter 144G; a  
26.11 boarding and lodging establishment with special services registered under section 157.17;  
26.12 a setting in which home and community-based services licensed under chapter 245D are  
26.13 provided; a veterans home operated by the commissioner of veterans affairs under chapter  
26.14 198; a residence licensed by the commissioner of human services under chapter 245A to  
26.15 provide a residential program as defined in section 245A.02, subdivision 14; a residential  
26.16 facility for persons with a developmental disability licensed by the commissioner of human  
26.17 services under section 252.28; an establishment providing housing support as defined in  
26.18 section 256I.03, subdivision 3; a shelter for battered women as defined in section 611A.37,  
26.19 subdivision 4; or a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter or dwelling designed  
26.20 to provide temporary living accommodations for the homeless.

26.21 **Sec. 22. [201.017] VOTER IDENTIFICATION CARD ACCOUNT.**

26.22 (a) A voter identification card account is established in the special revenue fund. Money  
26.23 in the account is appropriated to the commissioner of public safety for:

26.24 (1) reimbursing individuals for the costs of obtaining documents under paragraph (b);

26.25 (2) making payments to driver's license agents under section 171.061, subdivision 4,  
26.26 paragraph (f); and

26.27 (3) providing voter identification cards to individuals qualifying under section 171.07,  
26.28 subdivision 3b.

26.29 Money in the account does not cancel and is available until spent.

26.30 (b) The commissioner of public safety must reimburse individuals for any fees required  
26.31 to secure an official document or certified copy from any federal, state, or local government,  
26.32 or from a court in any jurisdiction for the purpose of obtaining a voter identification card  
26.33 issued pursuant to section 171.07, subdivision 3b. In order to receive reimbursement, an

27.1 applicant for a voter identification card must complete a reimbursement form approved by  
27.2 the commissioner of public safety, along with documentation of the applicant's reimbursable  
27.3 expenditure. The commissioner must mail payment for the reimbursable amount to an  
27.4 eligible applicant at the address listed on the voter identification card.

27.5 (c) The amount available to the commissioner of public safety under paragraph (a),  
27.6 clause (3), must not exceed the actual cost of providing voter identification cards, not to  
27.7 exceed \$..... for each card issued.

27.8 (d) The commissioner of public safety must report to the committee members of the  
27.9 legislative committees with jurisdiction over elections on the total expenditures from the  
27.10 account by county by January 31 of each year.

27.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

27.12 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.022, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

27.13 Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** The secretary of state shall maintain a statewide voter  
27.14 registration system to facilitate voter registration and to provide a central database containing  
27.15 voter registration information from around the state. The system must be accessible to the  
27.16 county auditor of each county in the state. The system must also:

27.17 (1) provide for voters to submit their voter registration applications to any county auditor,  
27.18 the secretary of state, or the Department of Public Safety;

27.19 (2) provide for the definition, establishment, and maintenance of a central database for  
27.20 all voter registration information;

27.21 (3) provide for entering data into the statewide registration system;

27.22 (4) provide for electronic transfer of completed voter registration applications from the  
27.23 Department of Public Safety to the secretary of state or the county auditor;

27.24 (5) assign a unique identifier to each legally registered voter in the state;

27.25 (6) provide for the acceptance of the Minnesota driver's license number, Minnesota state  
27.26 identification number, voter identification card number, and last four digits of the Social  
27.27 Security number for each voter record;

27.28 (7) coordinate with other agency databases within the state;

27.29 (8) allow county auditors and the secretary of state to add or modify information in the  
27.30 system to provide for accurate and up-to-date records;

28.1 (9) allow county auditors, municipal and school district clerks, and the secretary of state  
28.2 to have electronic access to the statewide registration system for review and search  
28.3 capabilities;

28.4 (10) provide security and protection of all information in the statewide registration  
28.5 system and ensure that unauthorized access is not allowed;

28.6 (11) provide access to municipal clerks to use the system;

28.7 (12) provide a system for each county to identify the precinct to which a voter should  
28.8 be assigned for voting purposes;

28.9 (13) provide daily reports accessible by county auditors on the driver's license numbers,  
28.10 state identification numbers, voter identification card number, or last four digits of the Social  
28.11 Security numbers submitted on voter registration applications that have been verified as  
28.12 accurate by the secretary of state; and

28.13 (14) provide reports on the number of absentee ballots transmitted to and returned and  
28.14 cast by voters under section 203B.16.

28.15 The appropriate state or local official shall provide security measures to prevent  
28.16 unauthorized access to the computerized list established under section 201.021.

28.17 Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.061, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

28.18 Subdivision 1. **Prior to election day.** (a) At any time except during the 20 days  
28.19 immediately preceding any regularly scheduled election, an eligible voter or any individual  
28.20 who will be an eligible voter at the time of the next election may register to vote in the  
28.21 precinct in which the voter maintains residence by completing a voter registration application  
28.22 as described in section 201.071, subdivision 1. A completed application may be submitted:

28.23 (1) in person or by mail to the county auditor of that county or to the Secretary of State's  
28.24 Office; or

28.25 (2) electronically through a secure website that shall be maintained by the secretary of  
28.26 state for this purpose, if the applicant has an e-mail address and provides the applicant's  
28.27 verifiable Minnesota driver's license number, Minnesota state identification card number,  
28.28 voter identification card number, or the last four digits of the applicant's Social Security  
28.29 number.

28.30 A registration that is received in person or by mail no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 21st  
28.31 day preceding any election, or a registration received electronically through the secretary  
28.32 of state's secure website no later than 11:59 p.m. on the 21st day preceding any election,

29.1 shall be accepted. An improperly addressed or delivered registration application shall be  
29.2 forwarded within two working days after receipt to the county auditor of the county where  
29.3 the voter maintains residence. A state or local agency or an individual that accepts completed  
29.4 voter registration applications from a voter must submit the completed applications to the  
29.5 secretary of state or the appropriate county auditor within ten calendar days after the  
29.6 applications are dated by the voter.

29.7 (b) An application submitted electronically under paragraph (a), clause (2), may only  
29.8 be transmitted to the county auditor for processing if the secretary of state has verified the  
29.9 application information matches the information in a government database associated with  
29.10 the applicant's driver's license number, state identification card number, voter identification  
29.11 card number, or Social Security number. The secretary of state must review all unverifiable  
29.12 voter registration applications submitted electronically for evidence of suspicious activity  
29.13 and must forward any such application to an appropriate law enforcement agency for  
29.14 investigation.

29.15 An individual may not electronically submit a voter registration application on behalf  
29.16 of any other individual.

29.17 (c) For purposes of this section, mail registration is defined as a voter registration  
29.18 application delivered to the secretary of state, county auditor, or municipal clerk by the  
29.19 United States Postal Service or a commercial carrier.

29.20 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.061, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

29.21 Subd. 1a. **Incomplete registration by mail.** If the county auditor determines that a voter  
29.22 who has submitted a voter registration application by mail has not previously voted in this  
29.23 state for a federal office and has also not presented a document authorized for election day  
29.24 registration in section 201.061, subdivision 3, to the auditor, and the county auditor is unable  
29.25 to verify the voter's driver's license, state identification, voter identification card, or last  
29.26 four digits of the voter's Social Security number as provided by the voter on the voter  
29.27 registration application, then the county auditor must notify the voter that the registration  
29.28 is incomplete and to complete registration by using one of the following methods:

29.29 (1) presenting to the auditor more than 20 days before the election a document authorized  
29.30 for election day registration in section 201.061, subdivision 3;

29.31 (2) registering in person before or on election day;

29.32 (3) if voting by absentee ballot or by mail, following election day registration procedures  
29.33 for absentee voters as described in section 203B.04, subdivision 4; or

30.1 (4) providing proof of residence by any of the methods authorized for election day  
30.2 registration in section 201.061, subdivision 3.

30.3 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.061, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

30.4 Subd. 3. **Election day registration.** (a) An individual who is eligible to vote may register  
30.5 on election day by appearing in person at the polling place for the precinct in which the  
30.6 individual maintains residence, by completing a registration application, making an oath in  
30.7 the form prescribed by the secretary of state and providing proof of identity and residence.  
30.8 An individual may prove identity and residence for purposes of registering by: presenting  
30.9 documentation as permitted by section 200.035. If an individual is unable to prove identity  
30.10 and residence, the individual may complete a voter registration application and cast a  
30.11 provisional ballot as provided in section 204C.135.

30.12 (b) The election judge must keep separate all voter registration applications completed  
30.13 by individuals unable to prove identity and residence. These voter registration applications  
30.14 must be processed immediately in the manner described in section 201.121, subdivision 1.

30.15 ~~(1) presenting a driver's license or Minnesota identification card issued pursuant to~~  
30.16 ~~section 171.07;~~

30.17 ~~(2) presenting any document approved by the secretary of state as proper identification;~~

30.18 ~~(3) presenting one of the following:~~

30.19 ~~(i) a current valid student identification card from a postsecondary educational institution~~  
30.20 ~~in Minnesota, if a list of students from that institution has been prepared under section~~  
30.21 ~~135A.17 and certified to the county auditor in the manner provided in rules of the secretary~~  
30.22 ~~of state; or~~

30.23 ~~(ii) a current student fee statement that contains the student's valid address in the precinct~~  
30.24 ~~together with a picture identification card; or~~

30.25 ~~(4) having a voter who is registered to vote in the precinct, or an employee employed~~  
30.26 ~~by and working in a residential facility in the precinct and vouching for a resident in the~~  
30.27 ~~facility, sign an oath in the presence of the election judge vouching that the voter or employee~~  
30.28 ~~personally knows that the individual is a resident of the precinct. A voter who has been~~  
30.29 ~~vouched for on election day may not sign a proof of residence oath vouching for any other~~  
30.30 ~~individual on that election day. A voter who is registered to vote in the precinct may sign~~  
30.31 ~~up to eight proof of residence oaths on any election day. This limitation does not apply to~~  
30.32 ~~an employee of a residential facility described in this clause. The secretary of state shall~~  
30.33 ~~provide a form for election judges to use in recording the number of individuals for whom~~

~~a voter signs proof of residence oaths on election day. The form must include space for the maximum number of individuals for whom a voter may sign proof of residence oaths. For each proof of residence oath, the form must include a statement that the individual: (i) is registered to vote in the precinct or is an employee of a residential facility in the precinct; (ii) personally knows that the voter is a resident of the precinct, and (iii) is making the statement on oath. The form must include a space for the voter's printed name, signature, telephone number, and address.~~

~~The oath required by this subdivision and Minnesota Rules, part 8200.9939, must be attached to the voter registration application.~~

~~(b) The operator of a residential facility shall prepare a list of the names of its employees currently working in the residential facility and the address of the residential facility. The operator shall certify the list and provide it to the appropriate county auditor no less than 20 days before each election for use in election day registration.~~

~~(c) "Residential facility" means transitional housing as defined in section 256E.33, subdivision 1; a supervised living facility licensed by the commissioner of health under section 144.50, subdivision 6; a nursing home as defined in section 144A.01, subdivision 5; a residence registered with the commissioner of health as a housing with services establishment as defined in section 144D.01, subdivision 4; a veterans home operated by the board of directors of the Minnesota Veterans Homes under chapter 198; a residence licensed by the commissioner of human services to provide a residential program as defined in section 245A.02, subdivision 14; a residential facility for persons with a developmental disability licensed by the commissioner of human services under section 252.28; setting authorized to provide housing support as defined in section 256I.03, subdivision 3; a shelter for battered women as defined in section 611A.37, subdivision 4; or a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter or dwelling designed to provide temporary living accommodations for the homeless.~~

~~(d) For tribal band members, an individual may prove residence for purposes of registering by:~~

~~(1) presenting an identification card issued by the tribal government of a tribe recognized by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, United States Department of the Interior, that contains the name, address, signature, and picture of the individual; or~~

~~(2) presenting an identification card issued by the tribal government of a tribe recognized by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, United States Department of the Interior, that contains the~~

32.1 ~~name, signature, and picture of the individual and also presenting one of the documents~~  
 32.2 ~~listed in Minnesota Rules, part 8200.5100, subpart 2, item B.~~

32.3 ~~(e)~~ (c) A county, school district, or municipality may require that an election judge  
 32.4 responsible for election day registration initial each completed registration application.

32.5 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.071, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

32.6 Subdivision 1. **Form.** Both paper and electronic voter registration applications must  
 32.7 contain the same information unless otherwise provided by law. A voter registration  
 32.8 application must contain spaces for the following required information: voter's first name,  
 32.9 middle name, and last name; voter's previous name, if any; voter's current address; voter's  
 32.10 previous address, if any; voter's date of birth; voter's municipality and county of residence;  
 32.11 voter's telephone number, if provided by the voter; date of registration; current and valid  
 32.12 Minnesota driver's license number ~~or~~, Minnesota state identification number, voter  
 32.13 identification card number, or if the voter has no current and valid Minnesota driver's license  
 32.14 ~~or~~, Minnesota state identification, or voter identification card, the last four digits of the  
 32.15 voter's Social Security number; and voter's signature. The paper registration application  
 32.16 may include the voter's e-mail address, if provided by the voter. The electronic voter  
 32.17 registration application must include the voter's e-mail address. The registration application  
 32.18 may include the voter's interest in serving as an election judge, if indicated by the voter.  
 32.19 The application must also contain the following certification of voter eligibility:

32.20 "I certify that I:

32.21 (1) will be at least 18 years old on election day;

32.22 (2) am a citizen of the United States;

32.23 (3) will have resided in Minnesota for 20 days immediately preceding election day;

32.24 (4) maintain residence at the address given on the registration form;

32.25 (5) am not under court-ordered guardianship in which the court order revokes my right  
 32.26 to vote;

32.27 (6) have not been found by a court to be legally incompetent to vote;

32.28 (7) have the right to vote because, if I have been convicted of a felony, my felony sentence  
 32.29 has expired (been completed) or I have been discharged from my sentence; and

32.30 (8) have read and understand the following statement: that giving false information is a  
 32.31 felony punishable by not more than five years imprisonment or a fine of not more than  
 32.32 \$10,000, or both."



33.1 The certification must include boxes for the voter to respond to the following questions:

33.2 "(1) Are you a citizen of the United States?" and

33.3 "(2) Will you be 18 years old on or before election day?"

33.4 And the instruction:

33.5 "If you checked 'no' to either of these questions, do not complete this form."

33.6 The form of the voter registration application and the certification of voter eligibility  
33.7 must be as provided in this subdivision and approved by the secretary of state. Voter  
33.8 registration forms authorized by the National Voter Registration Act must also be accepted  
33.9 as valid. The federal postcard application form must also be accepted as valid if it is not  
33.10 deficient and the voter is eligible to register in Minnesota.

33.11 An individual may use a voter registration application to apply to register to vote in  
33.12 Minnesota or to change information on an existing registration.

33.13 Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.071, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

33.14 Subd. 2. **Instructions.** A registration application shall be accompanied by instructions  
33.15 specifying the manner and method of registration, the qualifications for voting, the penalties  
33.16 for false registration, and the availability of registration and voting assistance for elderly  
33.17 and disabled individuals and residents of health care facilities and hospitals. The instructions  
33.18 must indicate that if the voter does not have a valid Minnesota driver's license or identification  
33.19 card, voter identification card, the last four digits of the voter's Social Security number must  
33.20 be provided, unless the voter does not have a Social Security number. If, prior to election  
33.21 day, a person requests the instructions in Braille, audio format, or in a version printed in  
33.22 16-point bold type with 24-point leading, the county auditor shall provide them in the form  
33.23 requested. The secretary of state shall prepare Braille and audio copies and make them  
33.24 available.

33.25 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.071, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

33.26 Subd. 3. **Deficient registration.** No voter registration application is deficient if it contains  
33.27 the voter's name, address, date of birth, current and valid Minnesota driver's license number  
33.28 ~~or~~, Minnesota state identification number, or voter identification card number, or if the voter  
33.29 has no current and valid Minnesota driver's license ~~or~~, Minnesota state identification number,  
33.30 or voter identification card number, the last four digits of the voter's Social Security number,  
33.31 if the voter has been issued a Social Security number, prior registration, if any, and signature.  
33.32 The absence of a zip code number does not cause the registration to be deficient. Failure to

check a box on an application form that a voter has certified to be true does not cause the registration to be deficient. The election judges shall request an individual to correct a voter registration application if it is deficient or illegible. No eligible voter may be prevented from voting unless the voter's registration application is deficient or the voter is duly and successfully challenged in accordance with section 201.195 or 204C.12.

A voter registration application accepted prior to August 1, 1983, is not deficient for lack of date of birth. The county or municipality may attempt to obtain the date of birth for a voter registration application accepted prior to August 1, 1983, by a request to the voter at any time except at the polling place. Failure by the voter to comply with this request does not make the registration deficient.

A voter registration application accepted before January 1, 2004, is not deficient for lack of a valid Minnesota driver's license or state identification number or the last four digits of a Social Security number. A voter registration application submitted by a voter who does not have a Minnesota driver's license or state identification number, or a Social Security number, is not deficient for lack of any of these numbers.

A voter registration application submitted electronically through the website of the secretary of state prior to April 30, 2014, is not invalid as a result of its electronic submission.

Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.091, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Restricted data.** A list provided for public inspection or purchase, or in response to a law enforcement inquiry, must not include a voter's date of birth or any part of a voter's Social Security number, driver's license number, identification card number, voter identification card number, military identification card number, or passport number.

Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.121, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Entry of registration information.** (a) At the time a voter registration application is properly completed, submitted, and received in accordance with sections 201.061 and 201.071, the county auditor shall enter the information contained on it into the statewide registration system. Voter registration applications completed before election day must be entered into the statewide registration system within ten days after they have been submitted to the county auditor. Voter registration applications completed on election day must be entered into the statewide registration system within 42 days after the election, unless the county auditor notifies the secretary of state before the deadline has expired that the deadline will not be met. Upon receipt of a notification under this paragraph, the secretary of state must extend the deadline for that county auditor by an additional 28 days. The

35.1 secretary of state may waive a county's obligations under this paragraph if, on good cause  
35.2 shown, the county demonstrates its permanent inability to comply.

35.3 The secretary of state must post data on each county's compliance with this paragraph on  
35.4 the secretary of state's website including, as applicable, the date each county fully complied  
35.5 or the deadline by which a county's compliance must be complete.

35.6 (b) Upon receiving a completed voter registration application, the secretary of state may  
35.7 electronically transmit the information on the application to the appropriate county auditor  
35.8 as soon as possible for review by the county auditor before final entry into the statewide  
35.9 registration system. The secretary of state may mail the voter registration application to the  
35.10 county auditor.

35.11 (c) Within ten days after the county auditor has entered information from a voter  
35.12 registration application into the statewide registration system, the secretary of state shall  
35.13 compare the voter's name, date of birth, and driver's license number, state identification  
35.14 number, voter identification card number, or the last four digits of the Social Security number  
35.15 with the same information contained in the Department of Public Safety database.

35.16 (d) The secretary of state shall provide a report to the county auditor on a weekly basis  
35.17 that includes a list of voters whose name, date of birth, or identification number have been  
35.18 compared with the same information in the Department of Public Safety database and cannot  
35.19 be verified as provided in this subdivision. The report must list separately those voters who  
35.20 have submitted a voter registration application by mail and have not voted in a federal  
35.21 election in this state.

35.22 (e) The county auditor shall compile a list of voters for whom the county auditor and  
35.23 the secretary of state are unable to conclude that information on the voter registration  
35.24 application and the corresponding information in the Department of Public Safety database  
35.25 relate to the same person.

35.26 (f) The county auditor shall send a notice of incomplete registration to any voter whose  
35.27 name appears on the list and change the voter's status to "incomplete." A voter who receives  
35.28 a notice of incomplete registration from the county auditor may either provide the information  
35.29 required to complete the registration at least 21 days before the next election or at the polling  
35.30 place on election day.

35.31 Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.13, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

35.32 Subd. 3. **Use of change of address system.** (a) At least once each month the secretary  
35.33 of state shall obtain a list of individuals registered to vote in this state who have filed with

the United States Postal Service a change of their permanent address. The secretary of state may also periodically obtain a list of individuals with driver's licenses ~~or~~, state identification cards, or voter identification cards to identify those who are registered to vote who have applied to the Department of Public Safety for a replacement driver's license ~~or~~, state identification card, or voter identification card with a different address, and a list of individuals for whom the Department of Public Safety received notification of a driver's license ~~or~~, state identification card, or voter identification card cancellation due to a change of residency out of state. However, the secretary of state shall not load data derived from these lists into the statewide voter registration system within the 47 days before the state primary or 47 days before a November general election.

(b) If the address is changed to another address in this state, the secretary of state shall locate the precinct in which the voter resides, if possible. If the secretary of state is able to locate the precinct in which the voter resides, the secretary must transmit the information about the changed address by electronic means to the county auditor of the county in which the new address is located. For addresses for which the secretary of state is unable to determine the precinct, the secretary may forward information to the appropriate county auditors for individual review. If the voter has not voted or submitted a voter registration application since the address change, upon receipt of the information, the county auditor shall update the voter's address in the statewide voter registration system. The county auditor shall mail to the voter a notice stating the voter's name, address, precinct, and polling place, unless the voter's record is challenged due to a felony conviction, noncitizenship, name change, incompetence, or a court's revocation of voting rights of individuals under guardianship, in which case the auditor must not mail the notice. The notice must advise the voter that the voter's voting address has been changed and that the voter must notify the county auditor within 21 days if the new address is not the voter's address of residence. The notice must state that it must be returned if it is not deliverable to the voter at the named address.

(c) If the change of permanent address is to an address outside this state, the secretary of state shall notify by electronic means the auditor of the county where the voter formerly resided that the voter has moved to another state. If the voter has not voted or submitted a voter registration application since the address change, the county auditor shall promptly mail to the voter at the voter's new address a notice advising the voter that the voter's status in the statewide voter registration system will be changed to "inactive" unless the voter notifies the county auditor within 21 days that the voter is retaining the former address as the voter's address of residence, except that if the voter's record is challenged due to a felony

37.1 conviction, noncitizenship, name change, incompetence, or a court's revocation of voting  
37.2 rights of individuals under guardianship, the auditor must not mail the notice. If the notice  
37.3 is not received by the deadline, the county auditor shall change the voter's status to "inactive"  
37.4 in the statewide voter registration system.

37.5 (d) If, in order to maintain voter registration records, the secretary of state enters an  
37.6 agreement to share information or data with an organization governed exclusively by a  
37.7 group of states, the secretary must first determine that the data security protocols are sufficient  
37.8 to safeguard the information or data shared. If required by such an agreement, the secretary  
37.9 of state may share the following data from the statewide voter registration system and data  
37.10 released to the secretary of state under section 171.12, subdivision 7a:

37.11 (1) name;

37.12 (2) date of birth;

37.13 (3) address;

37.14 (4) driver's license ~~or~~, state identification card number, or voter identification number;

37.15 (5) the last four digits of an individual's Social Security number; and

37.16 (6) the date that an individual's record was last updated.

37.17 If the secretary of state enters into such an agreement, the secretary and county auditors  
37.18 must process changes to voter records based upon that data in accordance with this section.  
37.19 Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, when data is shared with the secretary of  
37.20 state by another state, the secretary of state must maintain the same data classification that  
37.21 the data had while it was in the possession of the state providing the data.

37.22 Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.14, is amended to read:

37.23 **201.14 COURT ADMINISTRATOR OF DISTRICT COURT; REPORT CHANGES**  
37.24 **OF NAMES.**

37.25 The state court administrator shall regularly report by electronic means to the secretary  
37.26 of state the name, address, and, if available, driver's license ~~or~~, state identification card  
37.27 number, or voter identification card number of each individual, 18 years of age or over,  
37.28 whose name was changed since the last report, by marriage, divorce, or any order or decree  
37.29 of the court. The secretary of state shall determine if any of the persons in the report are  
37.30 registered to vote under their previous name and shall prepare a list of those registrants for  
37.31 each county auditor. Upon receipt of the list, the county auditor shall make the change in  
37.32 the voter's record and mail to the voter the notice of registration required by section 201.121,

38.1 subdivision 2. A notice must not be mailed if the voter's record is challenged due to a felony  
38.2 conviction, lack of United States citizenship, legal incompetence, or court-ordered revocation  
38.3 of voting rights of persons under guardianship.

38.4 Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.145, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

38.5 Subd. 2. **State court administrator report.** (a) The state court administrator must report  
38.6 on individuals 17 years of age or older who are under a guardianship in which a court order  
38.7 revokes the ward's right to vote or where the court has found the individual to be legally  
38.8 incompetent to vote.

38.9 (b) The state court administrator must report on individuals transferred to the jurisdiction  
38.10 of the court who meet a condition specified in paragraph (a).

38.11 (c) Each report required under this subdivision must include the following information  
38.12 for each individual in the report: name, address, date of birth, and, if available, last four  
38.13 digits of the Social Security number and driver's license ~~or~~, state identification card number,  
38.14 or voter identification card number.

38.15 (d) No later than seven calendar days after receiving a report under this subdivision, the  
38.16 secretary of state must determine if a person identified under paragraphs (a) and (b) is  
38.17 registered to vote and must prepare a list of those registrants for the county auditor. No later  
38.18 than seven calendar days after receiving the list from the secretary of state, the county auditor  
38.19 must challenge the status on the record in the statewide voter registration system of each  
38.20 individual named in the list.

38.21 Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.145, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

38.22 Subd. 3. **Commissioner of corrections report; state court administrator report.** (a)  
38.23 The state court administrator must report on individuals 17 years of age or older who have  
38.24 been convicted of a felony.

38.25 (b) The commissioner of corrections must report on individuals 17 years of age or older  
38.26 who are currently:

38.27 (1) serving felony sentences under the commissioner's jurisdiction; or

38.28 (2) on probation for felony offenses that resulted in the loss of civil rights, as indicated  
38.29 by the statewide supervision system established under section 241.065.

38.30 (c) Each report under this subdivision must include the following information for each  
38.31 individual: name, address or last known residential address that is not a correctional facility,

and date of birth. If available, each report must also include the individual's: corrections' state identification number, last four digits of the Social Security number, driver's license ~~or~~, state identification card number, or voter identification card number, date of sentence, effective date of the sentence, county in which the conviction occurred, and date of discharge.

(d) No later than seven calendar days after receiving a report under this subdivision, the secretary of state must determine if a person identified under paragraph (a) is registered to vote and must prepare a list of those registrants for the county auditor. No later than seven calendar days after receiving a report under this subdivision, the secretary of state must determine if any data newly indicates that a person identified under paragraph (b) is registered to vote and must prepare a list of those registrants for the county auditor. No later than seven calendar days after receiving the list from the secretary of state, the county auditor must challenge the status on the record in the statewide voter registration system of each individual named in the list.

(e) The county auditor must identify an individual who registered to vote or voted while serving a felony sentence under the commissioner's jurisdiction or while on probation for a felony offense that resulted in the loss of civil rights during a period when the individual's civil rights were revoked. The county auditor must immediately send notice to the county attorney. The notice must include the name of the individual and any other identifying information as well as the evidence that shows the individual registered to vote or voted during the period when the individual's civil rights were revoked.

Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.145, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

**Subd. 4. Reports; restoration of right to vote.** (a) The state court administrator must report on each individual whose guardianship was modified to restore the ward's right to vote or whose guardianship was terminated by order of the court under section 524.5-317 after being ineligible to vote for any of the reasons specified in subdivision 2, paragraph (a).

(b) The state court administrator must report on individuals previously convicted of a felony whose civil rights have been restored.

(c) The commissioner of corrections must report on individuals who were serving a felony sentence under the commissioner's jurisdiction or who were on probation for a felony offense under the commissioner's jurisdiction that resulted in the loss of civil rights but who have been discharged from the sentence.

(d) Each report under this subdivision must include the following information for each individual: name, address, date of birth, and, if available, the last four digits of the Social Security number. For reports required by paragraphs (b) and (c), each report must also include the individual's, if available: corrections' state identification number, driver's license ~~or~~, state identification card number, or voter identification card number, date of sentence, effective date of the sentence, county in which the conviction occurred, and date of discharge.

(e) No later than seven calendar days after receiving a report under this subdivision, the secretary of state must determine if a person identified under paragraph (a) or (b) is registered to vote and must prepare a list of those registrants for the county auditor. No later than seven calendar days after receiving a report under this subdivision, the secretary of state must determine if any data newly indicates that a person identified under paragraph (c) is registered to vote and must prepare a list of those registrants for the county auditor. No later than seven calendar days after receiving the list from the secretary of state, the county auditor must remove the challenge status on the record in the statewide voter registration system of each individual named in the list.

Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.145, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

**Subd. 5. Commissioner of public safety report.** (a) The commissioner of public safety must report on individuals identified by department data as having temporary lawful status in the United States.

(b) The report under this section must include the following information for each individual: name, address, date of birth, driver's license ~~or~~, state identification card number, voter identification card number, and, if available, last four digits of the Social Security number.

(c) No later than seven calendar days after receiving a report under this subdivision, the secretary of state must determine if any data newly indicates that a person identified under paragraph (a) is registered to vote and prepare a list of those voters for the county auditor. Within seven calendar days of receiving the list from the secretary of state, the county auditor must challenge the status on the record in the statewide voter registration system of each individual named in the list.

(d) The county auditor must also immediately send notice to the county attorney of each individual identified in paragraph (c). The notice must include the name of the individual and any other identifying information as well as the evidence that shows the individual registered to vote or voted and is not a citizen.



41.1 Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.161, is amended to read:

41.2 **201.161 DRIVER'S LICENSE AND IDENTIFICATION CARD APPLICATIONS.**

41.3 The Department of Public Safety shall change its applications for an original, duplicate,  
41.4 or change of address driver's license ~~or~~ identification card, or voter identification card so  
41.5 that the forms may also serve as voter registration applications. The forms must contain  
41.6 spaces for all information collected by voter registration applications prescribed by the  
41.7 secretary of state. Applicants for driver's licenses ~~or~~ identification cards, or voter  
41.8 identification cards must be asked if they want to register to vote at the same time and that  
41.9 information must be transmitted at least weekly by electronic means to the secretary of state.  
41.10 Pursuant to the Help America Vote Act of 2002, Public Law 107-252, the computerized  
41.11 driver's license record containing the voter's name, address, date of birth, driver's license  
41.12 number or state identification number, county, town, and city must be made available for  
41.13 access by the secretary of state and interaction with the statewide voter registration system.

41.14 Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.221, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

41.15 Subd. 3. **Procedures for polling place rosters.** The secretary of state shall prescribe  
41.16 the form of paper polling place rosters that include the voter's name, address, date of birth,  
41.17 school district number, and space for the voter's signature. An electronic roster and the voter  
41.18 signature certificate together must include the same information as a paper polling place  
41.19 roster. The address listed on the polling place roster must be the voter's address of residence,  
41.20 unless the voter has requested that the address printed on the roster be the voter's mailing  
41.21 address because the voter is a judge or a law enforcement or corrections officer, or the voter  
41.22 participates in the Safe at Home program as provided in chapter 5B. The secretary of state  
41.23 may prescribe additional election-related information to be placed on the polling place  
41.24 rosters on an experimental basis for one state primary and general election cycle; the same  
41.25 information may not be placed on the polling place roster for a second state primary and  
41.26 general election cycle unless specified in this subdivision. The polling place roster must be  
41.27 used to indicate whether the voter has voted in a given election. The secretary of state shall  
41.28 prescribe procedures for transporting the polling place rosters to the election judges for use  
41.29 on election day. The secretary of state shall prescribe the form for a county or municipality  
41.30 to request the date of birth from currently registered voters. The county or municipality  
41.31 shall not request the date of birth from currently registered voters by any communication  
41.32 other than the prescribed form and the form must clearly indicate that a currently registered  
41.33 voter does not lose registration status by failing to provide the date of birth. In accordance

42.1 with section 204B.40, the county auditor shall retain the prescribed polling place rosters  
42.2 used on the date of election for 22 months following the election.

42.3 Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.225, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

42.4 Subd. 2. **Technology requirements.** An electronic roster must:

42.5 (1) be able to be loaded with a data file that includes voter registration data in a file  
42.6 format prescribed by the secretary of state;

42.7 (2) allow for data to be exported in a file format prescribed by the secretary of state;

42.8 (3) allow for data to be entered manually or by scanning a Minnesota driver's license  
42.9 ~~or~~, identification card, or voter identification card to locate a voter record or populate a  
42.10 voter registration application that would be printed and signed and dated by the voter. The  
42.11 printed registration application can be either a printed form, labels printed with voter  
42.12 information to be affixed to a preprinted form, or a combination of both;

42.13 (4) allow an election judge to update data that was populated from a scanned driver's  
42.14 license ~~or~~, identification card, or voter identification card;

42.15 (5) cue an election judge to ask for and input data that is not populated from a scanned  
42.16 driver's license ~~or~~, identification card, or voter identification card that is otherwise required  
42.17 to be collected from the voter or an election judge;

42.18 (6) immediately alert the election judge if the voter has provided information that indicates  
42.19 that the voter is not eligible to vote;

42.20 (7) immediately alert the election judge if the electronic roster indicates that a voter has  
42.21 already voted in that precinct, the voter's registration status is challenged, or it appears the  
42.22 voter resides in a different precinct;

42.23 (8) provide immediate instructions on how to resolve a particular type of challenge when  
42.24 a voter's record is challenged;

42.25 (9) provide for a printed voter signature certificate, containing the voter's name, address  
42.26 of residence, date of birth, voter identification number, the oath required by section 204C.10,  
42.27 and a space for the voter's original signature. The printed voter signature certificate can be  
42.28 either a printed form or a label printed with the voter's information to be affixed to the oath;

42.29 (10) contain only preregistered voters within the precinct, and not contain preregistered  
42.30 voter data on voters registered outside of the precinct;

43.1 (11) be only networked within the polling location on election day, except for the purpose  
43.2 of updating absentee ballot records;

43.3 (12) meet minimum security, reliability, and networking standards established by the  
43.4 Office of the Secretary of State in consultation with the Office of MN.IT Services;

43.5 (13) be capable of providing a voter's correct polling place; and

43.6 (14) perform any other functions necessary for the efficient and secure administration  
43.7 of the participating election, as determined by the secretary of state.

43.8 Electronic rosters used only for election day registration do not need to comply with clauses  
43.9 (1), (8), and (10). Electronic rosters used only for preregistered voter processing do not need  
43.10 to comply with clauses (4) and (5).

43.11 Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.04, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

43.12 Subdivision 1. **Application procedures.** (a) Except as otherwise allowed by subdivision  
43.13 2 or by section 203B.11, subdivision 4, an application for absentee ballots for any election  
43.14 may be submitted at any time not less than one day before the day of that election. The  
43.15 county auditor shall prepare absentee ballot application forms in the format provided by the  
43.16 secretary of state and shall furnish them to any person on request. By January 1 of each  
43.17 even-numbered year, the secretary of state shall make the forms to be used available to  
43.18 auditors through electronic means. An application submitted pursuant to this subdivision  
43.19 shall be in writing. An application may be submitted in person, by electronic facsimile  
43.20 device, by electronic mail, or by mail to:

43.21 (1) the county auditor of the county where the applicant maintains residence; or

43.22 (2) the municipal clerk of the municipality, or school district if applicable, where the  
43.23 applicant maintains residence.

43.24 For a federal, state, or county election, an absentee ballot application may alternatively be  
43.25 submitted electronically through a secure website that shall be maintained by the secretary  
43.26 of state for this purpose. Notwithstanding paragraph (b), the secretary of state must require  
43.27 applicants using the website to submit the applicant's e-mail address and verifiable Minnesota  
43.28 driver's license number, Minnesota state identification card number, voter identification  
43.29 card number, or the last four digits of the applicant's Social Security number.

43.30 An application submitted electronically under this paragraph may only be transmitted to  
43.31 the county auditor for processing if the secretary of state has verified the application  
43.32 information matches the information in a government database associated with the applicant's

44.1 driver's license number, state identification card number, voter identification card number,  
 44.2 or Social Security number. The secretary of state must review all unverifiable applications  
 44.3 for evidence of suspicious activity and must forward any such application to an appropriate  
 44.4 law enforcement agency for investigation.

44.5 (b) An application shall be approved if it is timely received, signed and dated by the  
 44.6 applicant, contains the applicant's name and residence and mailing addresses, date of birth,  
 44.7 and at least one of the following:

44.8 (1) the applicant's Minnesota driver's license number;

44.9 (2) Minnesota state identification card number;

44.10 (3) voter identification card number; or

44.11 (4) the last four digits of the applicant's Social Security number; or

44.12 ~~(4) a statement that the applicant does not have any of these numbers.~~

44.13 (c) To be approved, the application must contain an oath that the information contained  
 44.14 on the form is accurate, that the applicant is applying on the applicant's own behalf, and  
 44.15 that the applicant is signing the form under penalty of perjury.

44.16 (d) Before approval, the county auditor or municipal clerk must verify that the Minnesota  
 44.17 driver's license number, state identification card number, voter identification card number,  
 44.18 or the last four digits of the Social Security number submitted by an applicant is valid and  
 44.19 assigned to that applicant. If a driver's license, identification card number, voter identification  
 44.20 card number, or the last four digits of a Social Security number is invalid or not assigned  
 44.21 to the applicant, the county auditor or municipal clerk must reject the application.

44.22 ~~(d)~~ (e) An applicant's full date of birth, Minnesota driver's license or state identification  
 44.23 number, and the last four digits of the applicant's Social Security number must not be made  
 44.24 available for public inspection. An application may be submitted to the county auditor or  
 44.25 municipal clerk by an electronic facsimile device. An application mailed or returned in  
 44.26 person to the county auditor or municipal clerk on behalf of a voter by a person other than  
 44.27 the voter must be deposited in the mail or returned in person to the county auditor or  
 44.28 municipal clerk within ten days after it has been dated by the voter and no later than six  
 44.29 days before the election. The absentee ballot applications or a list of persons applying for  
 44.30 an absentee ballot may not be made available for public inspection until the close of voting  
 44.31 on election day, except as authorized in section 203B.12.

44.32 ~~(e)~~ (f) An application under this subdivision may contain an application under subdivision  
 44.33 5 to automatically receive an absentee ballot application.

Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.04, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Registration at time of application.** An eligible voter who is not registered to vote but who is otherwise eligible to vote by absentee ballot may register by including a completed voter registration application with the absentee ballot. The individual shall present proof of identity and residence as required by section ~~201.061, subdivision 3~~ 200.035, to the individual who witnesses the marking of the absentee ballots. A military voter, as defined in section 203B.01, may register in this manner if voting pursuant to sections 203B.04 to 203B.15, or may register pursuant to sections 203B.16 to 203B.27.

Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.065, is amended to read:

**203B.065 USING THE REGISTRATION SYSTEM.**

Upon accepting an application for a state primary or state general election, the county auditor or municipal clerk shall record in the statewide voter registration system the voter's name, date of birth, address of residence in Minnesota, mailing address, Minnesota driver's license ~~or~~, state identification number, or voter identification card, or the last four digits of the voter's Social Security number, if provided by the voter. Upon acceptance of an absentee ballot application of a voter who is registered to vote at an address different from the residential address certified on the absentee ballot application, the voter registration record with the previous address shall be challenged. Once the absentee ballot has been transmitted to the voter, the method of transmission and the date of transmission must be recorded.

Upon receipt of a returned absentee ballot for a state primary or state general election, the county auditor or municipal clerk shall record in the statewide voter registration system that the voter has returned the ballot.

Upon receipt of notice that the ballot board has accepted or rejected the absentee ballot for a state primary or state general election, the county auditor or municipal clerk shall record in the statewide voter registration system whether the ballot was accepted or rejected, and if rejected, the reason for rejection. If a replacement ballot is transmitted to the voter, the county auditor or municipal clerk shall record this in the statewide voter registration system.

The labels provided for envelopes used for transmitting an absentee ballot to and from an applicant for an absentee ballot for a state primary or state general election must contain bar codes generated by the statewide voter registration system to facilitate the recording required under this section. A county auditor or municipal clerk entering information into

the statewide voter registration system under this section must include the information provided on the bar code label whenever information is entered into the system.

Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.07, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Eligibility certificate.** (a) A certificate of eligibility to vote by absentee ballot shall be printed on the back of the return envelope. The certificate shall contain space for the voter's Minnesota driver's license number, state identification number, voter identification card number, or the last four digits of the voter's Social Security number, or to indicate that the voter does not have one of these numbers. The space must be designed to ensure that the voter provides the same type of identification as provided on the voter's absentee ballot application for purposes of comparison. The certificate must also contain a statement to be signed and sworn by the voter indicating that the voter meets all of the requirements established by law for voting by absentee ballot ~~and~~.

(b) The certificate must include a space for a statement an oath signed by a person who is registered to vote in Minnesota or by a notary public or other individual authorized to administer oaths witness stating that:

(1) the unmarked ballots were displayed to ~~that individual~~ unmarked the witness;

(2) the voter marked the ballots in ~~that individual's~~ the witness's presence without showing how they were marked, or, if the voter was physically unable to mark them, that the voter directed another individual to mark them; ~~and~~

(3) ~~if the voter was not previously registered~~, the voter has ~~provided~~ shown to the witness proof of identity and residence as required by section ~~201.061, subdivision 3~~ 200.035. The witness must also indicate the document or documents presented to prove identity and residence; and

(4) the witness is registered to vote in Minnesota, is a notary public, or is an individual authorized to administer oaths. The witness must include the witness's driver's license number, identification card number, voter identification card number, or the last four digits of the applicant's Social Security number.

Sec. 45. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.08, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Marking and return by voter.** (a) An eligible voter who receives absentee ballots as provided in this chapter shall mark them in the manner specified in the directions for casting the absentee ballots.

(b) The voter must present proof of identity and residence as described in section 200.035 to the individual who witnesses the marking of the absentee ballot. The witness must record the type of document that was presented on the witness certificate described in section 203B.07, subdivision 3, paragraph (b).

(c) The return envelope containing marked ballots may be mailed as provided in the directions for casting the absentee ballots or may be left with the county auditor or municipal clerk who transmitted the absentee ballots to the voter. If delivered in person, the return envelope must be submitted to the county auditor or municipal clerk by 3:00 p.m. on election day.

(d) The voter may designate an agent to deliver in person the sealed absentee ballot return envelope to the county auditor or municipal clerk or to deposit the return envelope in the mail. An agent may deliver or mail the return envelopes of not more than three voters in any election. Any person designated as an agent who tampers with either the return envelope or the voted ballots or does not immediately mail or deliver the return envelope to the county auditor or municipal clerk is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 46. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.121, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Duties of ballot board; absentee ballots.** (a) The members of the ballot board shall take possession of all return envelopes delivered to them in accordance with section 203B.08. Upon receipt from the county auditor, municipal clerk, or school district clerk, two or more members of the ballot board shall examine each return envelope and shall mark it accepted or rejected in the manner provided in this subdivision. Election judges performing the duties in this section must be of different major political parties, unless they are exempt from that requirement under section 205.075, subdivision 4, or section 205A.10, subdivision 2.

(b) The members of the ballot board shall mark the return envelope "Accepted" and initial or sign the return envelope below the word "Accepted" if a majority of the members of the ballot board examining the envelope are satisfied that:

(1) the voter's name and address on the return envelope are the same as the information provided on the absentee ballot application;

(2) the voter signed the certification on the envelope;

(3) the voter's Minnesota driver's license, state identification number, voter identification card number, or the last four digits of the voter's Social Security number are the same as a number on the voter's absentee ballot application or voter record. If the number does not

48.1 match, the election judges must compare the signature provided by the applicant to determine  
48.2 whether the ballots were returned by the same person to whom they were transmitted;

48.3 (4) the voter is registered and eligible to vote in the precinct or has included a properly  
48.4 completed voter registration application in the return envelope;

48.5 (5) the portion of the certificate completed by a witness as required by section 203B.07,  
48.6 subdivision 3, paragraph (b), is completed and the document or documents listed that were  
48.7 used to prove identity and residence are documents authorized by section 200.035;

48.8 (6) the certificate has been completed as prescribed in the directions for casting an  
48.9 absentee ballot; and

48.10 ~~(6)~~ (7) the voter has not already voted at that election, either in person or, if it is after  
48.11 the close of business on the seventh day before the election, by absentee ballot.

48.12 The return envelope from accepted ballots must be preserved and returned to the county  
48.13 auditor.

48.14 (c)(1) If a majority of the members of the ballot board examining a return envelope find  
48.15 that an absentee voter has failed to meet one of the requirements provided in paragraph (b),  
48.16 they shall mark the return envelope "Rejected," initial or sign it below the word "Rejected,"  
48.17 list the reason for the rejection on the envelope, and return it to the county auditor. There  
48.18 is no other reason for rejecting an absentee ballot beyond those permitted by this section.  
48.19 Failure to place the ballot within the security envelope before placing it in the outer white  
48.20 envelope is not a reason to reject an absentee ballot.

48.21 (2) If an envelope has been rejected at least five days before the election, the envelope  
48.22 must remain sealed and the official in charge of the ballot board shall provide the voter with  
48.23 a replacement absentee ballot and return envelope in place of the rejected ballot.

48.24 (3) If an envelope is rejected within five days of the election, the envelope must remain  
48.25 sealed and the official in charge of the ballot board must attempt to contact the voter by  
48.26 telephone or e-mail to notify the voter that the voter's ballot has been rejected. The official  
48.27 must document the attempts made to contact the voter.

48.28 (d) The official in charge of the absentee ballot board must mail the voter a written notice  
48.29 of absentee ballot rejection between six and ten weeks following the election. If the official  
48.30 determines that the voter has otherwise cast a ballot in the election, no notice is required.  
48.31 If an absentee ballot arrives after the deadline for submission provided by this chapter, the  
48.32 notice must be provided between six to ten weeks after receipt of the ballot. A notice of  
48.33 absentee ballot rejection must contain the following information:



(1) the date on which the absentee ballot was rejected or, if the ballot was received after the required deadline for submission, the date on which the ballot was received;

(2) the reason for rejection; and

(3) the name of the appropriate election official to whom the voter may direct further questions, along with appropriate contact information.

(e) An absentee ballot return envelope marked "Rejected" may not be opened or subject to further review except in an election contest filed pursuant to chapter 209.

Sec. 47. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.17, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Required information.** (a) An application shall be accepted if it contains the following information stated under oath:

(1) the voter's name, birthdate, and present address of residence in Minnesota, or former address of residence or parent's former address of residence in Minnesota if the voter is living permanently outside the United States;

(2) a statement indicating that the voter is in the military, or is the spouse or dependent of an individual serving in the military, or is temporarily outside the territorial limits of the United States, or is living permanently outside the territorial limits of the United States and voting under federal law;

(3) a statement that the voter expects to be absent from the precinct at the time of the election;

(4) the address to which absentee ballots are to be mailed;

(5) the voter's signature or the signature and relationship of the individual authorized to apply on the voter's behalf;

(6) the voter's passport number, Minnesota driver's license ~~or~~, state identification card number, or voter identification card, or the last four digits of the voter's Social Security number; if the voter does not have access to any of these documents, the voter or other individual requesting absentee ballots may attest to the truthfulness of the contents of the application under penalty of perjury; and

(7) the voter's e-mail address, if the application was submitted electronically through the secure website maintained by the secretary of state.

(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), clause (6), an application submitted through the secretary of state's website must include the voter's verifiable Minnesota driver's license

number, Minnesota state identification card number, voter identification card number, or the last four digits of the voter's Social Security number, and may only be transmitted to the county auditor for processing if the secretary of state has verified the application information matches the information in a government database associated with the applicant's driver's license number, state identification card number, voter identification card number, or Social Security number. The secretary of state must review all unverifiable applications for evidence of suspicious activity and must forward any such application to an appropriate law enforcement agency for investigation.

Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.19, is amended to read:

**203B.19 RECORDING APPLICATIONS.**

Upon accepting an application, the county auditor shall record in the statewide registration system the voter's name, address of present or former residence in Minnesota, mailing address, school district number, passport number, Minnesota driver's license number ~~or~~, state identification card number, or voter identification card number, or the last four digits of the voter's Social Security number, and whether the voter is in the military or the spouse or dependent of an individual serving in the military, is a voter temporarily outside the territorial limits of the United States, or is living permanently outside the territorial limits of the United States and voting under federal law. The county auditor shall retain the record for six years. A voter whose name is recorded as provided in this section shall not be required to register under any other provision of law in order to vote under sections 203B.16 to 203B.27. Persons from whom applications are not accepted must be notified by the county auditor and provided with the reasons for the rejection.

No later than 60 days after the general election, the county auditor shall report to the secretary of state the combined number of absentee ballots transmitted to and the combined number of absentee ballots returned and cast by absent voters described in section 203B.16. The secretary of state may require the information be reported by category under section 203B.16 or by precinct.

No later than 90 days after the general election, the secretary of state shall report to the federal Election Assistance Commission the number of absentee ballots transmitted to voters under section 203B.16.

Sec. 49. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.21, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Back of return envelope.** On the back of the return envelope a certificate shall appear with space for:

- 51.1 (1) the voter's address of present or former residence in Minnesota;
- 51.2 (2) the voter's current e-mail address, if the voter has one;
- 51.3 (3) a statement indicating the category described in section 203B.16 to which the voter
- 51.4 belongs;
- 51.5 (4) a statement that the voter has not cast and will not cast another absentee ballot in the
- 51.6 same election or elections;
- 51.7 (5) a statement that the voter personally marked the ballots without showing them to
- 51.8 anyone, or if physically unable to mark them, that the voter directed another individual to
- 51.9 mark them; and
- 51.10 (6) the same voter's passport number, Minnesota driver's license ~~or~~, state identification
- 51.11 card number, or voter identification card, or the last four digits of the voter's Social Security
- 51.12 number as provided on the absentee ballot application; if the voter does not have access to
- 51.13 any of these documents, the voter may attest to the truthfulness of the contents of the
- 51.14 certificate under penalty of perjury.

51.15 The certificate shall also contain a signed oath in the form required by section 705 of

51.16 the Help America Vote Act, Public Law 107-252, which must read:

51.17 "I swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that:

51.18 I am a member of the uniformed services or merchant marine on active duty or an eligible

51.19 spouse or dependent of such a member; a United States citizen temporarily residing outside

51.20 the United States; or other United States citizen residing outside the United States; and I

51.21 am a United States citizen, at least 18 years of age (or will be by the date of the election),

51.22 and I am eligible to vote in the requested jurisdiction; I have not been convicted of a felony,

51.23 or other disqualifying offense, or been adjudicated mentally incompetent, or, if so, my voting

51.24 rights have been reinstated; and I am not registering, requesting a ballot, or voting in any

51.25 other jurisdiction in the United States except the jurisdiction cited in this voting form. In

51.26 voting, I have marked and sealed my ballot in private and have not allowed any person to

51.27 observe the marking of the ballot, except for those authorized to assist voters under state or

51.28 federal law. I have not been influenced.

51.29 The information on this form is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge.

51.30 I understand that a material misstatement of fact in completion of this document may

51.31 constitute grounds for a conviction for perjury."

52.1 Sec. 50. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.24, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

52.2 Subdivision 1. **Check of voter eligibility; proper execution of certificate.** Upon receipt  
52.3 of an absentee ballot returned as provided in sections 203B.16 to 203B.27, the election  
52.4 judges shall compare the voter's name with the names recorded under section 203B.19 in  
52.5 the statewide registration system to insure that the ballot is from a voter eligible to cast an  
52.6 absentee ballot under sections 203B.16 to 203B.27. The election judges shall mark the return  
52.7 envelope "Accepted" and initial or sign the return envelope below the word "Accepted" if  
52.8 the election judges are satisfied that:

52.9 (1) the voter's name on the return envelope appears in substantially the same form as on  
52.10 the application records provided to the election judges by the county auditor;

52.11 (2) the voter has signed the federal oath prescribed pursuant to section 705(b)(2) of the  
52.12 Help America Vote Act, Public Law 107-252;

52.13 (3) the voter has set forth the same voter's passport number, or Minnesota driver's license  
52.14 ~~or~~ state identification card number, or voter identification card number, or the last four  
52.15 digits of the voter's Social Security number as submitted on the application, if the voter has  
52.16 one of these documents;

52.17 (4) the voter is not known to have died; and

52.18 (5) the voter has not already voted at that election, either in person or by absentee ballot.

52.19 If the identification number described in clause (3) does not match the number as  
52.20 submitted on the application, the election judges must make a reasonable effort to satisfy  
52.21 themselves through other information provided by the applicant, or by an individual  
52.22 authorized to apply on behalf of the voter, that the ballots were returned by the same person  
52.23 to whom the ballots were transmitted.

52.24 An absentee ballot cast pursuant to sections 203B.16 to 203B.27 may only be rejected  
52.25 for the lack of one of clauses (1) to (5). In particular, failure to place the ballot within the  
52.26 security envelope before placing it in the outer white envelope is not a reason to reject an  
52.27 absentee ballot.

52.28 Election judges must note the reason for rejection on the back of the envelope in the  
52.29 space provided for that purpose.

52.30 Failure to return unused ballots shall not invalidate a marked ballot, but a ballot shall  
52.31 not be counted if the certificate on the return envelope is not properly executed. In all other  
52.32 respects the provisions of the Minnesota Election Law governing deposit and counting of

53.1 ballots shall apply. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, the counting of the  
53.2 absentee ballot of a deceased voter does not invalidate the election.

53.3 Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 204B.45, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

53.4 Subd. 2. **Procedure.** Mail balloting must be conducted as provided in this section and  
53.5 Minnesota Rules, part 8210.3000. Notice of the election and the special mail procedure  
53.6 must be given at least ten weeks prior to the election. Not more than 46 days nor later than  
53.7 14 days before a regularly scheduled election and not more than 30 days nor later than 14  
53.8 days before any other election, the auditor shall mail ballots by nonforwardable mail to all  
53.9 voters registered in the city, town, or unorganized territory. No later than 14 days before  
53.10 the election, the auditor must make a subsequent mailing of ballots to those voters who  
53.11 register to vote after the initial mailing but before the 20th day before the election. Eligible  
53.12 voters not registered at the time the ballots are mailed may apply for ballots as provided in  
53.13 chapter 203B. Ballot return envelopes, with return postage provided, must be preaddressed  
53.14 to the auditor or clerk and the voter may return the ballot by mail or in person to the office  
53.15 of the auditor or clerk. The voter must present proof of identity and residence to the voter's  
53.16 witness in the same manner required by section 203B.08, subdivision 1, paragraphs (b) and  
53.17 (c). In addition to the information required by Minnesota Rules, part 8210.3000, the signature  
53.18 envelope must include the witness oath prescribed by section 203B.07, subdivision 3,  
53.19 paragraph (b). The auditor or clerk must appoint a ballot board to examine the mail and  
53.20 absentee ballot return envelopes and mark them "accepted" or "rejected" within three days  
53.21 of receipt if there are 14 or fewer days before election day, or within five days of receipt if  
53.22 there are more than 14 days before election day. The board may consist of deputy county  
53.23 auditors or deputy municipal clerks who have received training in the processing and counting  
53.24 of mail ballots, who need not be affiliated with a major political party. Election judges  
53.25 performing the duties in this section must be of different major political parties, unless they  
53.26 are exempt from that requirement under section 205.075, subdivision 4, or section 205A.10.  
53.27 If an envelope has been rejected at least five days before the election, the ballots in the  
53.28 envelope must remain sealed and the auditor or clerk shall provide the voter with a  
53.29 replacement ballot and return envelope in place of the spoiled ballot. If the ballot is rejected  
53.30 within five days of the election, the envelope must remain sealed and the official in charge  
53.31 of the ballot board must attempt to contact the voter by telephone or e-mail to notify the  
53.32 voter that the voter's ballot has been rejected. The official must document the attempts made  
53.33 to contact the voter.

53.34 If the ballot is accepted, the county auditor or municipal clerk must mark the roster to  
53.35 indicate that the voter has already cast a ballot in that election. After the close of business

54.1 on the seventh day before the election, the ballots from return envelopes marked "Accepted"  
54.2 may be opened, duplicated as needed in the manner provided by section 206.86, subdivision  
54.3 5, initialed by the members of the ballot board, and deposited in the ballot box.

54.4 In all other respects, the provisions of the Minnesota Election Law governing deposit  
54.5 and counting of ballots apply.

54.6 The mail and absentee ballots for a precinct must be counted together and reported as  
54.7 one vote total. No vote totals from mail or absentee ballots may be made public before the  
54.8 close of voting on election day.

54.9 The costs of the mailing shall be paid by the election jurisdiction in which the voter  
54.10 resides. Any ballot received by 8:00 p.m. on the day of the election must be counted.

54.11 Sec. 52. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 204B.46, is amended to read:

54.12 **204B.46 MAIL ELECTIONS; QUESTIONS.**

54.13 A county, municipality, or school district submitting questions to the voters at a special  
54.14 election may conduct an election by mail with no polling place other than the office of the  
54.15 auditor or clerk. No offices may be voted on at a mail election. Mail balloting must be  
54.16 conducted as provided in this section and Minnesota Rules, part 8210.3000. Notice of the  
54.17 election must be given to the county auditor at least 74 days prior to the election. This notice  
54.18 shall also fulfill the requirements of Minnesota Rules, part 8210.3000. The special mail  
54.19 ballot procedures must be posted at least six weeks prior to the election. Not more than 46  
54.20 nor later than 14 days prior to the election, the auditor or clerk shall mail ballots by  
54.21 nonforwardable mail to all voters registered in the county, municipality, or school district.  
54.22 No later than 14 days before the election, the auditor or clerk must make a subsequent  
54.23 mailing of ballots to those voters who register to vote after the initial mailing but before the  
54.24 20th day before the election. Eligible voters not registered at the time the ballots are mailed  
54.25 may apply for ballots pursuant to chapter 203B. The voter must present proof of identity  
54.26 and residence to the voter's witness in the same manner required by section 203B.08,  
54.27 subdivision 1, paragraphs (b) and (c). In addition to the information required by Minnesota  
54.28 Rules, part 8210.3000, the signature envelope must include the witness oath prescribed by  
54.29 section 203B.07, subdivision 3, paragraph (b). The auditor or clerk must appoint a ballot  
54.30 board to examine the mail and absentee ballot return envelopes and mark them "Accepted"  
54.31 or "Rejected" within three days of receipt if there are 14 or fewer days before election day,  
54.32 or within five days of receipt if there are more than 14 days before election day. The board  
54.33 may consist of deputy county auditors, deputy municipal clerks, or deputy school district  
54.34 clerks who have received training in the processing and counting of mail ballots, who need

not be affiliated with a major political party. Election judges performing the duties in this section must be of different major political parties, unless they are exempt from that requirement under section 205.075, subdivision 4, or section 205A.10. If an envelope has been rejected at least five days before the election, the ballots in the envelope must remain sealed and the auditor or clerk must provide the voter with a replacement ballot and return envelope in place of the spoiled ballot. If the ballot is rejected within five days of the election, the envelope must remain sealed and the official in charge of the ballot board must attempt to contact the voter by telephone or e-mail to notify the voter that the voter's ballot has been rejected. The official must document the attempts made to contact the voter.

If the ballot is accepted, the county auditor or municipal clerk must mark the roster to indicate that the voter has already cast a ballot in that election. After the close of business on the seventh day before the election, the ballots from return envelopes marked "Accepted" may be opened, duplicated as needed in the manner provided by section 206.86, subdivision 5, initialed by the ballot board, and deposited in the appropriate ballot box.

In all other respects, the provisions of the Minnesota Election Law governing deposit and counting of ballots apply.

The mail and absentee ballots for a precinct must be counted together and reported as one vote total. No vote totals from ballots may be made public before the close of voting on election day.

Sec. 53. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 204C.08, subdivision 1d, is amended to read:

Subd. 1d. **Voter's Bill of Rights.** The county auditor shall prepare and provide to each polling place sufficient copies of a poster setting forth the Voter's Bill of Rights as set forth in this section. Before the hours of voting are scheduled to begin, the election judges shall post it in a conspicuous location or locations in the polling place. The Voter's Bill of Rights is as follows:

#### "VOTER'S BILL OF RIGHTS

For all persons residing in this state who meet federal voting eligibility requirements:

(1) You have the right to be absent from work for the purpose of voting in a state, federal, or regularly scheduled election without reduction to your pay, personal leave, or vacation time on election day for the time necessary to appear at your polling place, cast a ballot, and return to work.

(2) If you are in line at your polling place any time before 8:00 p.m., you have the right to vote.

56.1 (3) If you can provide the required proof of identity and residence, you have the right  
56.2 to register to vote and to vote on election day.

56.3 (4) If you cannot provide the required proof of identity and residence, you have the right  
56.4 to register to vote and cast a provisional ballot.

56.5 ~~(4)~~ (5) If you are unable to sign your name, you have the right to orally confirm your  
56.6 identity with an election judge and to direct another person to sign your name for you.

56.7 ~~(5)~~ (6) You have the right to request special assistance when voting.

56.8 ~~(6)~~ (7) If you need assistance, you may be accompanied into the voting booth by a person  
56.9 of your choice, except by an agent of your employer or union or a candidate.

56.10 ~~(7)~~ (8) You have the right to bring your minor children into the polling place and into  
56.11 the voting booth with you.

56.12 ~~(8)~~ (9) If you have been convicted of a felony but your felony sentence has expired (been  
56.13 completed) or you have been discharged from your sentence, you have the right to vote.

56.14 ~~(9)~~ (10) If you are under a guardianship, you have the right to vote, unless the court  
56.15 order revokes your right to vote.

56.16 ~~(10)~~ (11) You have the right to vote without anyone in the polling place trying to influence  
56.17 your vote.

56.18 ~~(11)~~ (12) If you make a mistake or spoil your ballot before it is submitted, you have the  
56.19 right to receive a replacement ballot and vote.

56.20 ~~(12)~~ (13) You have the right to file a written complaint at your polling place if you are  
56.21 dissatisfied with the way an election is being run.

56.22 ~~(13)~~ (14) You have the right to take a sample ballot into the voting booth with you.

56.23 ~~(14)~~ (15) You have the right to take a copy of this Voter's Bill of Rights into the voting  
56.24 booth with you."

56.25 Sec. 54. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 204C.10, is amended to read:

56.26 **204C.10 POLLING PLACE ROSTER; VOTER SIGNATURE CERTIFICATE;**  
56.27 **VOTER RECEIPT.**

56.28 (a) An individual seeking to vote shall sign a polling place roster or voter signature  
56.29 certificate which states that the individual is at least 18 years of age, a citizen of the United  
56.30 States, has resided in Minnesota for 20 days immediately preceding the election, maintains  
56.31 residence at the address shown, is not under a guardianship in which the court order revokes



the individual's right to vote, has not been found by a court of law to be legally incompetent to vote or has the right to vote because, if the individual was convicted of a felony, the felony sentence has expired or been completed or the individual has been discharged from the sentence, is registered and has not already voted in the election. The roster must also state: "I understand that deliberately providing false information is a felony punishable by not more than five years imprisonment and a fine of not more than \$10,000, or both."

(b) At the presidential nomination primary, the polling place roster must also state: "I am in general agreement with the principles of the party for whose candidate I intend to vote." This statement must appear separately from the statements required in paragraph (a). The felony penalty provided for in paragraph (a) does not apply to this paragraph.

(c) ~~A judge may,~~ Before the applicant signs the roster or voter signature certificate, a judge must (1) require the voter to present proof of identity and residence as described in section 200.035; and (2) confirm the applicant's name, address, and date of birth. An applicant who does not present proof of identity and residence as required by section 200.035 must not sign the polling place roster or a voter signature certificate, but must be allowed to cast a provisional ballot as provided in section 204C.135.

(d) After the applicant signs the roster or voter signature certificate, the judge shall give the applicant a voter's receipt. The voter shall deliver the voter's receipt to the judge in charge of ballots as proof of the voter's right to vote, and thereupon the judge shall hand to the voter the ballot. The voters' receipts must be maintained during the time for notice of filing an election contest.

(e) Whenever a challenged status appears on the polling place roster, an election judge must ensure that the challenge is concealed or hidden from the view of any voter other than the voter whose status is challenged.

**Sec. 55. [204C.135] PROVISIONAL BALLOTS; PROOF OF IDENTITY AND RESIDENCE.**

**Subdivision 1. Casting of provisional ballots.** (a) A voter who is unable to provide proper proof of identity and residence as required by section 201.061, subdivision 3, or 204C.10, is entitled to cast a provisional ballot in the manner provided by this section.

(b) A voter seeking to vote a provisional ballot under this section must complete a provisional ballot envelope and sign a provisional ballot roster or voter signature certificate for a provisional ballot. The envelope must contain a space for the voter to list the voter's name, address of residence, date of birth, and any other information prescribed by the

secretary of state. The voter must also swear or affirm, in writing, that the voter is eligible to vote, has not voted previously in the same election, and meets the criteria for registering to vote in the precinct in which the voter appears. Once the voter has completed the provisional ballot envelope, the voter must be allowed to cast a provisional ballot. The provisional ballot must be the same as the official ballot available in the precinct on election day. A completed provisional ballot must be sealed in a secrecy envelope. The secrecy envelope must be sealed inside the voter's provisional ballot envelope and deposited by the voter in a secure, sealed, provisional ballot box. Completed provisional ballots must not be combined with other voted ballots in the polling place.

(c) An election judge must inform the voter on the process to follow to prove residence and identity during the seven days following the election. The election judge must inform the voter of the location of the county auditor or municipal clerk responsible for accepting or rejecting provisional ballots and the hours the auditor or clerk is open for business during the week following the election.

(d) The form of the secrecy and provisional ballot envelopes must be prescribed by the secretary of state. The provisional ballot envelope must be a color other than that provided for absentee ballot envelopes. The envelope must be prominently labeled "Provisional Ballot Envelope."

(e) Provisional ballots and related documentation must be delivered to and securely maintained by the county auditor or municipal clerk in the same manner as required for other election materials under sections 204C.27 and 204C.28.

Subd. 2. **Accepting or rejecting provisional ballots.** (a) A voter who casts a provisional ballot in the polling place may personally appear before the county auditor or municipal clerk no later than seven calendar days following the election to prove that the voter's provisional ballot should be counted. The county auditor's office and the city clerk's office must be open for approving provisional ballots on the Saturday following the election for the hours prescribed in section 203B.085.

(b) The county auditor or municipal clerk must accept a provisional ballot if:

(1) the statewide voter registration system indicates that the voter is registered and is eligible to vote or, if challenged, the county auditor or municipal clerk does not, based upon available records and any documentation presented by the voter, conclude that the voter is ineligible;

(2) the voter presents proof of identity and residence in the precinct in the manner permitted by section 200.035 or executes an affidavit described in paragraph (c); and

59.1 (3) the data on the identity and residence document presented by the voter matches the  
59.2 data provided by the voter on the provisional ballot envelope.

59.3 (c) If a voter registered on election day without proper proof of identity and residence  
59.4 and the voter registration application that was completed on election day has not yet been  
59.5 processed at the time the voter appears to prove identity and residence, the voter must be  
59.6 allowed to provide proof of identity and residence in the manner described by this section.  
59.7 If the criteria in paragraph (b) are satisfied except that the voter is not yet registered, the  
59.8 county auditor or municipal clerk must set the ballot aside until the voter registration  
59.9 application is processed. Once the voter registration application is processed, if the voter is  
59.10 registered to vote, the ballot must be accepted as provided in paragraph (e). If a voter is not  
59.11 registered to vote, the ballot must be rejected.

59.12 (d) If the voter's ballot is accepted, the county auditor or municipal clerk must remove  
59.13 the ballot from the provisional ballot box, mark the provisional ballot envelope "accepted"  
59.14 and initial or sign the provisional ballot envelope below the word "accepted." All accepted  
59.15 provisional ballot envelopes must be kept together in a secure location. Provisional ballot  
59.16 envelopes must only be opened as provided in subdivision 3.

59.17 (e) A county auditor or municipal clerk must not accept or count a provisional ballot if  
59.18 the voter does not appear before the county auditor or municipal clerk within seven calendar  
59.19 days following the election or if the voter does not satisfy the requirements of paragraph  
59.20 (a).

59.21 (f) The county auditor or municipal clerk must notify, in writing, any voter who cast a  
59.22 provisional ballot and who does not appear within seven calendar days of the election that  
59.23 the voter's provisional ballot was not counted because of the voter's failure to appear before  
59.24 the county auditor or municipal clerk within the time permitted by law to determine whether  
59.25 the provisional ballot should be counted.

59.26 Subd. 3. **Provisional ballots; reconciliation; counting.** (a) At the close of business for  
59.27 the county auditor's or municipal clerk's office on the seventh day after the election, but  
59.28 prior to counting any provisional ballots in the final vote totals from a precinct, the county  
59.29 auditor or municipal clerk must determine whether the number of signatures appearing on  
59.30 the provisional ballot roster or number of voter signature certificates for provisional ballots  
59.31 from that precinct is equal to the number of provisional ballots submitted by voters in the  
59.32 precinct on election day. If there are excess ballots, ballots must be randomly withdrawn  
59.33 from the accepted provisional ballot envelopes in the manner required by section 204C.20,

60.1 subdivision 2. Any discrepancy must be resolved before the provisional ballots from the  
60.2 precinct may be counted.

60.3 (b) After the ballots are reconciled pursuant to paragraph (a), the county auditor or  
60.4 municipal clerk must open the accepted provisional ballot envelopes and deposit them in  
60.5 the appropriate ballot box. The accepted and deposited provisional ballots must be included  
60.6 in the final certified results from the precinct.

60.7 Sec. 56. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 256E.22, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

60.8 Subdivision 1. **Creation of trust fund.** A children's trust fund for the prevention of child  
60.9 abuse is established as an account in the state treasury. The commissioner of management  
60.10 and budget shall credit to the trust fund all amounts received under sections 144.226,  
60.11 ~~subdivision~~ subdivisions 3 and 8, paragraph (c), and 256E.26, and shall ensure that trust  
60.12 fund money is invested under section 11A.25. All money earned by the trust fund must be  
60.13 credited to the trust fund. The trust fund earns its proportionate share of the total annual  
60.14 state investment income.

60.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

60.16 Sec. 57. **[357.43] DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR VOTER IDENTIFICATION**  
60.17 **CARD.**

60.18 Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary, no fee shall be charged by the courts  
60.19 for a certified copy of a court order, decree, record, or other document if the applicant attests  
60.20 that the record is needed to obtain a voter identification card issued pursuant to section  
60.21 171.07, subdivision 3b.

60.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

60.23 Sec. 58. **PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN.**

60.24 The secretary of state must contract with a vendor for the production and implementation  
60.25 of a statewide public educational campaign related to the voter identification requirements  
60.26 of this article. The campaign must inform voters of the requirements for identification when  
60.27 voting, methods of securing sufficient identification, including securing a free voter  
60.28 identification card if necessary, and the process for provisional balloting for voters unable  
60.29 to meet the identification requirements on election day. The secretary of state may consult  
60.30 with the vendor in coordinating material related to the campaign, but the secretary, the  
60.31 secretary's staff, and any other documents or materials promoting the Office of the Secretary

61.1 of State may not appear visually or audibly in any advertising or promotional items  
61.2 disseminated by the vendor as part of the public education campaign.

61.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

61.4 Sec. 59. **VOTER IDENTIFICATION CARD TRAINING FOR DRIVER'S LICENSE**  
61.5 **AGENTS.**

61.6 The commissioner of public safety must provide training for driver's license agents on  
61.7 the process for issuing voter identification cards.

61.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

61.9 Sec. 60. **APPROPRIATIONS.**

61.10 (a) \$..... is appropriated in fiscal year 2022 from the general fund to the secretary of  
61.11 state for implementing the requirements of this act. This is a onetime appropriation.

61.12 (b) \$..... is appropriated in fiscal year 2022 from the general fund to the commissioner  
61.13 of public safety for the programming costs in the driver's license system necessary to  
61.14 implement this act and for the training for driver's license agents required by section 59.  
61.15 This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2024.

61.16 (c) \$..... in fiscal year 2022 and \$..... in fiscal year 2023 are appropriated from the  
61.17 general fund to the commissioner of management and budget for transfer to the voter  
61.18 identification card account established under Minnesota Statutes, section 201.017, paragraph  
61.19 (a). The base for this appropriation is \$..... in fiscal year 2024 and each year thereafter.

61.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2021.

61.21 Sec. 61. **REPEALER.**

61.22 Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.061, subdivision 7, is repealed.

61.23 Sec. 62. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

61.24 Except where otherwise provided, this article is effective June 1, 2023.

## 61.25 **ARTICLE 4**

### 61.26 **ELECTRONIC VOTING MACHINES**

61.27 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.225, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

61.28 Subd. 2. **Technology requirements.** An electronic roster must:

- 62.1 (1) be able to be loaded with a data file that includes voter registration data in a file  
62.2 format prescribed by the secretary of state;
- 62.3 (2) allow for data to be exported in a file format prescribed by the secretary of state;
- 62.4 (3) allow for data to be entered manually or by scanning a Minnesota driver's license or  
62.5 identification card to locate a voter record or populate a voter registration application that  
62.6 would be printed and signed and dated by the voter. The printed registration application  
62.7 can be either a printed form, labels printed with voter information to be affixed to a preprinted  
62.8 form, or a combination of both;
- 62.9 (4) allow an election judge to update data that was populated from a scanned driver's  
62.10 license or identification card;
- 62.11 (5) cue an election judge to ask for and input data that is not populated from a scanned  
62.12 driver's license or identification card that is otherwise required to be collected from the voter  
62.13 or an election judge;
- 62.14 (6) immediately alert the election judge if the voter has provided information that indicates  
62.15 that the voter is not eligible to vote;
- 62.16 (7) immediately alert the election judge if the electronic roster indicates that a voter has  
62.17 already voted in that precinct, the voter's registration status is challenged, or it appears the  
62.18 voter resides in a different precinct;
- 62.19 (8) provide immediate instructions on how to resolve a particular type of challenge when  
62.20 a voter's record is challenged;
- 62.21 (9) provide for a printed voter signature certificate, containing the voter's name, address  
62.22 of residence, date of birth, voter identification number, the oath required by section 204C.10,  
62.23 and a space for the voter's original signature. The printed voter signature certificate can be  
62.24 either a printed form or a label printed with the voter's information to be affixed to the oath;
- 62.25 (10) contain only preregistered voters within the precinct, and not contain preregistered  
62.26 voter data on voters registered outside of the precinct;
- 62.27 (11) be only networked within the polling location on election day, except for the purpose  
62.28 of updating absentee ballot records;
- 62.29 (12) not be able to establish a wireless connection;
- 62.30 ~~(12)~~ (13) meet minimum security, reliability, and networking standards established by  
62.31 the Office of the Secretary of State in consultation with the Office of MN.IT Services;
- 62.32 ~~(13)~~ (14) be capable of providing a voter's correct polling place; and

63.1 ~~(14)~~ (15) perform any other functions necessary for the efficient and secure administration  
63.2 of the participating election, as determined by the secretary of state.

63.3 Electronic rosters used only for election day registration do not need to comply with clauses  
63.4 (1), (8), and (10). Electronic rosters used only for preregistered voter processing do not need  
63.5 to comply with clauses (4) and (5).

63.6 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

63.7 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 206.56, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

63.8 Subd. 8. **Electronic voting system.** (a) "Electronic voting system" means a system in  
63.9 which the voter records votes by means of marking a ballot, so that votes may be counted  
63.10 by automatic tabulating equipment in the polling place where the ballot is cast or at a counting  
63.11 center.

63.12 (b) An electronic voting system includes automatic tabulating equipment; nonelectronic  
63.13 ballot markers; electronic ballot markers, including electronic ballot display, audio ballot  
63.14 reader, and devices by which the voter will register the voter's voting intent; software used  
63.15 to program automatic tabulators and layout ballots; computer programs used to accumulate  
63.16 precinct results; ballots; secrecy folders; system documentation; and system testing results.

63.17 (c) An electronic voting system does not include a system that is capable of:

63.18 (1) establishing a wireless connection;

63.19 (2) establishing a connection to an external network; or

63.20 (3) connecting to any device that is capable of establishing a connection to an external  
63.21 network.

63.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

## 63.23 ARTICLE 5

## 63.24 CONFORMING CHANGES

63.25 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.061, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

63.26 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section:

63.27 (1) "applicant" means an individual applying for a driver's license, provisional license,  
63.28 restricted license, duplicate license, instruction permit, Minnesota identification card, voter  
63.29 identification card, or motorized bicycle operator's permit; and

(2) "application" refers to an application for a driver's license, provisional license, restricted license, duplicate license, instruction permit, Minnesota identification card, voter identification card, or motorized bicycle operator's permit.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.061, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Application.** An applicant may file an application with an agent. The agent shall receive and accept applications in accordance with the laws and rules of the Department of Public Safety for a noncompliant driver's license or identification card; an enhanced driver's license or identification card; a REAL ID compliant driver's license or identification card; restricted license; duplicate license; instruction permit; voter identification card; or motorized bicycle operator's permit. Application records must be maintained at the office of the agent in a manner that complies with sections 13.05, subdivision 5, and 13.055. As an alternative to paper copy storage, an agent may retain records and documents in a secure electronic medium that complies with the security requirements under the United States Federal Bureau of Investigation, Criminal Justice Information Services Division, Policy 5.4 or any successor policy, provided 60 days have elapsed since the transaction and subject to standards established by the commissioner. The agent is responsible for all costs associated with the conversion to electronic records and maintenance of the electronic storage medium, including the destruction of existing paper records after conversion to the electronic format. All queries and responses in the secure electronic medium, and all actions in which data are entered, updated, accessed, or shared or disseminated by the agent must be contained in a data audit trail. Data contained in the audit trail are public to the extent the data are not otherwise classified under this section.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.07, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. **Filing photograph or image; data classification.** The department shall file, or contract to file, all photographs or electronically produced images obtained in the process of issuing drivers' licenses ~~or~~ Minnesota identification cards, or voter identification cards. The photographs or electronically produced images shall be private data pursuant to section 13.02, subdivision 12. Notwithstanding section 13.04, subdivision 3, the department shall not be required to provide copies of photographs or electronically produced images to data subjects. The use of the files is restricted:

(1) to the issuance and control of drivers' licenses and voter identification cards;



(2) to criminal justice agencies, as defined in section 299C.46, subdivision 2, for the investigation and prosecution of crimes, service of process, enforcement of no contact orders, location of missing persons, investigation and preparation of cases for criminal, juvenile, and traffic court, location of individuals required to register under section 243.166 or 243.167, and supervision of offenders;

(3) to public defenders, as defined in section 611.272, for the investigation and preparation of cases for criminal, juvenile, and traffic courts;

(4) to child support enforcement purposes under section 256.978; and

(5) to a county medical examiner or coroner as required by section 390.005 as necessary to fulfill the duties under sections 390.11 and 390.25.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.07, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

Subd. 14. **Use of Social Security number.** An applicant's Social Security number must not be displayed, encrypted, or encoded on the driver's license or Minnesota identification card, or voter identification card or included in a magnetic strip or bar code used to store data on the license or Minnesota identification card. The Social Security number must not be used as a Minnesota driver's license or identification number.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.071, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Religious objection.** Notwithstanding the provisions of section 171.07, the commissioner of public safety may adopt rules to permit identification on a driver's license or Minnesota identification card, or voter identification card in lieu of a photograph or electronically produced image where the commissioner finds that the licensee has religious objections to the use of a photograph or electronically produced image.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.071, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Certain head wear permitted.** If an accident involving a head injury, serious illness, or treatment of the illness has resulted in hair loss by an applicant for a driver's license or identification card, or voter identification card, the commissioner shall permit the applicant to wear a hat or similar head wear in the photograph or electronically produced

66.1 image. The hat or head wear must be of an appropriate size and type to allow identification  
66.2 of the holder of the license or card and must not obscure the holder's face.

66.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

66.4 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.10, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

66.5 Subdivision 1. **Duplicate license.** In the event that an instruction permit, provisional  
66.6 license, ~~or~~ driver's license, or voter identification card issued under the provisions of this  
66.7 chapter is lost or destroyed, or becomes illegible, the person to whom the same was issued  
66.8 shall obtain a duplicate thereof, furnishing proof satisfactory to the department that such  
66.9 permit or license has been lost or destroyed or has become illegible, and make payment of  
66.10 the required fee.

66.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

66.12 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.12, subdivision 3c, is amended to read:

66.13 Subd. 3c. **Record retention; birth certificates.** (a) If the procedures established by the  
66.14 commissioner for driver's license ~~or~~, Minnesota identification card, or voter identification  
66.15 card records include retention of a physical copy or digital image of a birth certificate, the  
66.16 commissioner must:

66.17 (1) notify a driver's license or identification card applicant of the retention procedure;  
66.18 and

66.19 (2) allow the applicant, licensee, or identification cardholder to designate that the  
66.20 applicant, licensee, or identification cardholder's birth certificate physical copy or digital  
66.21 image must not be retained.

66.22 (b) The commissioner must not retain a birth certificate if directed by an applicant,  
66.23 licensee, or identification cardholder under paragraph (a), clause (2), but must record and  
66.24 retain data on the birth certificate required under Code of Federal Regulations, title 6, section  
66.25 37.31(c).

66.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

66.27 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.121, is amended to read:

66.28 **171.121 USE OF ANOTHER'S RESIDENCE ADDRESS.**

66.29 A person may notify the commissioner in writing to the effect that the person (1) is the  
66.30 owner of a residence, and (2) does not consent to have that residence address identified on

67.1 any driver's license ~~or~~ identification card, voter identification card, or driving record of the  
67.2 department as the residence address or permanent mailing address of any person named in  
67.3 the notice. The notice may not name a spouse of the notifying person. Upon receiving the  
67.4 notice the commissioner shall not issue any license ~~or~~ identification card, or voter  
67.5 identification card under this chapter, or accept an application for a license ~~or~~ identification  
67.6 card, or voter identification card under this chapter, that lists the residence address identified  
67.7 in the notice as the residence address or permanent mailing address of any person named  
67.8 in the notice.

67.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2022.

67.10 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.022, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

67.11 Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** The secretary of state shall maintain a statewide voter  
67.12 registration system to facilitate voter registration and to provide a central database containing  
67.13 voter registration information from around the state. The system must be accessible to the  
67.14 county auditor of each county in the state. The system must also:

67.15 (1) provide for voters to submit their voter registration applications to any county auditor,  
67.16 the secretary of state, or the Department of Public Safety;

67.17 (2) provide for the definition, establishment, and maintenance of a central database for  
67.18 all voter registration information;

67.19 (3) provide for entering data into the statewide registration system;

67.20 (4) provide for electronic transfer of completed voter registration applications from the  
67.21 Department of Public Safety to the secretary of state or the county auditor;

67.22 (5) assign a unique identifier to each legally registered voter in the state;

67.23 (6) provide for the acceptance of the Minnesota driver's license number, Minnesota state  
67.24 identification number, voter identification card number, and last four digits of the Social  
67.25 Security number for each voter record;

67.26 (7) coordinate with other agency databases within the state;

67.27 (8) allow county auditors and the secretary of state to add or modify information in the  
67.28 system to provide for accurate and up-to-date records;

67.29 (9) allow county auditors, municipal and school district clerks, and the secretary of state  
67.30 to have electronic access to the statewide registration system for review and search  
67.31 capabilities;

68.1 (10) provide security and protection of all information in the statewide registration  
68.2 system and ensure that unauthorized access is not allowed;

68.3 (11) provide access to municipal clerks to use the system;

68.4 (12) provide a system for each county to identify the precinct to which a voter should  
68.5 be assigned for voting purposes;

68.6 (13) provide daily reports accessible by county auditors on the driver's license numbers,  
68.7 state identification numbers, voter identification card number, or last four digits of the Social  
68.8 Security numbers submitted on voter registration applications that have been verified as  
68.9 accurate by the secretary of state; and

68.10 (14) provide reports on the number of absentee ballots transmitted to and returned and  
68.11 cast by voters under section 203B.16.

68.12 The appropriate state or local official shall provide security measures to prevent  
68.13 unauthorized access to the computerized list established under section 201.021.

68.14 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.061, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

68.15 Subdivision 1. **Prior to election day.** (a) At any time except during the 20 days  
68.16 immediately preceding any regularly scheduled election, an eligible voter or any individual  
68.17 who will be an eligible voter at the time of the next election may register to vote in the  
68.18 precinct in which the voter maintains residence by completing a voter registration application  
68.19 as described in section 201.071, subdivision 1. A completed application may be submitted:

68.20 (1) in person or by mail to the county auditor of that county or to the Secretary of State's  
68.21 Office; or

68.22 (2) electronically through a secure website that shall be maintained by the secretary of  
68.23 state for this purpose, if the applicant has an e-mail address and provides the applicant's  
68.24 verifiable Minnesota driver's license number, Minnesota state identification card number,  
68.25 voter identification card number, or the last four digits of the applicant's Social Security  
68.26 number.

68.27 A registration that is received in person or by mail no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 21st  
68.28 day preceding any election, or a registration received electronically through the secretary  
68.29 of state's secure website no later than 11:59 p.m. on the 21st day preceding any election,  
68.30 shall be accepted. An improperly addressed or delivered registration application shall be  
68.31 forwarded within two working days after receipt to the county auditor of the county where  
68.32 the voter maintains residence. A state or local agency or an individual that accepts completed

69.1 voter registration applications from a voter must submit the completed applications to the  
69.2 secretary of state or the appropriate county auditor within ten calendar days after the  
69.3 applications are dated by the voter.

69.4 (b) An application submitted electronically under paragraph (a), clause (2), may only  
69.5 be transmitted to the county auditor for processing if the secretary of state has verified the  
69.6 application information matches the information in a government database associated with  
69.7 the applicant's driver's license number, state identification card number, voter identification  
69.8 card number, or Social Security number. The secretary of state must review all unverifiable  
69.9 voter registration applications submitted electronically for evidence of suspicious activity  
69.10 and must forward any such application to an appropriate law enforcement agency for  
69.11 investigation.

69.12 An individual may not electronically submit a voter registration application on behalf  
69.13 of any other individual.

69.14 (c) For purposes of this section, mail registration is defined as a voter registration  
69.15 application delivered to the secretary of state, county auditor, or municipal clerk by the  
69.16 United States Postal Service or a commercial carrier.

69.17 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.061, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

69.18 Subd. 1a. **Incomplete registration by mail.** If the county auditor determines that a voter  
69.19 who has submitted a voter registration application by mail has not previously voted in this  
69.20 state for a federal office and has also not presented a document authorized for election day  
69.21 registration in section 201.061, subdivision 3, to the auditor, and the county auditor is unable  
69.22 to verify the voter's driver's license, state identification, voter identification card, or last  
69.23 four digits of the voter's Social Security number as provided by the voter on the voter  
69.24 registration application, then the county auditor must notify the voter that the registration  
69.25 is incomplete and to complete registration by using one of the following methods:

69.26 (1) presenting to the auditor more than 20 days before the election a document authorized  
69.27 for election day registration in section 201.061, subdivision 3;

69.28 (2) registering in person before or on election day;

69.29 (3) if voting by absentee ballot or by mail, following election day registration procedures  
69.30 for absentee voters as described in section 203B.04, subdivision 4; or

69.31 (4) providing proof of residence by any of the methods authorized for election day  
69.32 registration in section 201.061, subdivision 3.

70.1 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.071, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

70.2 Subdivision 1. **Form.** Both paper and electronic voter registration applications must  
70.3 contain the same information unless otherwise provided by law. A voter registration  
70.4 application must contain spaces for the following required information: voter's first name,  
70.5 middle name, and last name; voter's previous name, if any; voter's current address; voter's  
70.6 previous address, if any; voter's date of birth; voter's municipality and county of residence;  
70.7 voter's telephone number, if provided by the voter; date of registration; current and valid  
70.8 Minnesota driver's license number ~~or~~, Minnesota state identification number, voter  
70.9 identification card number, or if the voter has no current and valid Minnesota driver's license  
70.10 ~~or~~, Minnesota state identification, or voter identification card, the last four digits of the  
70.11 voter's Social Security number; and voter's signature. The paper registration application  
70.12 may include the voter's e-mail address, if provided by the voter. The electronic voter  
70.13 registration application must include the voter's e-mail address. The registration application  
70.14 may include the voter's interest in serving as an election judge, if indicated by the voter.  
70.15 The application must also contain the following certification of voter eligibility:

70.16 "I certify that I:

70.17 (1) will be at least 18 years old on election day;

70.18 (2) am a citizen of the United States;

70.19 (3) will have resided in Minnesota for 20 days immediately preceding election day;

70.20 (4) maintain residence at the address given on the registration form;

70.21 (5) am not under court-ordered guardianship in which the court order revokes my right  
70.22 to vote;

70.23 (6) have not been found by a court to be legally incompetent to vote;

70.24 (7) have the right to vote because, if I have been convicted of a felony, my felony sentence  
70.25 has expired (been completed) or I have been discharged from my sentence; and

70.26 (8) have read and understand the following statement: that giving false information is a  
70.27 felony punishable by not more than five years imprisonment or a fine of not more than  
70.28 \$10,000, or both."

70.29 The certification must include boxes for the voter to respond to the following questions:

70.30 "(1) Are you a citizen of the United States?" and

70.31 "(2) Will you be 18 years old on or before election day?"

71.1 And the instruction:

71.2 "If you checked 'no' to either of these questions, do not complete this form."

71.3 The form of the voter registration application and the certification of voter eligibility  
71.4 must be as provided in this subdivision and approved by the secretary of state. Voter  
71.5 registration forms authorized by the National Voter Registration Act must also be accepted  
71.6 as valid. The federal postcard application form must also be accepted as valid if it is not  
71.7 deficient and the voter is eligible to register in Minnesota.

71.8 An individual may use a voter registration application to apply to register to vote in  
71.9 Minnesota or to change information on an existing registration.

71.10 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.071, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

71.11 Subd. 2. **Instructions.** A registration application shall be accompanied by instructions  
71.12 specifying the manner and method of registration, the qualifications for voting, the penalties  
71.13 for false registration, and the availability of registration and voting assistance for elderly  
71.14 and disabled individuals and residents of health care facilities and hospitals. The instructions  
71.15 must indicate that if the voter does not have a valid Minnesota driver's license or identification  
71.16 card, voter identification card, the last four digits of the voter's Social Security number must  
71.17 be provided, unless the voter does not have a Social Security number. If, prior to election  
71.18 day, a person requests the instructions in Braille, audio format, or in a version printed in  
71.19 16-point bold type with 24-point leading, the county auditor shall provide them in the form  
71.20 requested. The secretary of state shall prepare Braille and audio copies and make them  
71.21 available.

71.22 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.071, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

71.23 Subd. 3. **Deficient registration.** No voter registration application is deficient if it contains  
71.24 the voter's name, address, date of birth, current and valid Minnesota driver's license number  
71.25 ~~or~~, Minnesota state identification number, or voter identification card number, or if the voter  
71.26 has no current and valid Minnesota driver's license ~~or~~, Minnesota state identification number,  
71.27 or voter identification card number, the last four digits of the voter's Social Security number,  
71.28 if the voter has been issued a Social Security number, prior registration, if any, and signature.  
71.29 The absence of a zip code number does not cause the registration to be deficient. Failure to  
71.30 check a box on an application form that a voter has certified to be true does not cause the  
71.31 registration to be deficient. The election judges shall request an individual to correct a voter  
71.32 registration application if it is deficient or illegible. No eligible voter may be prevented

72.1 from voting unless the voter's registration application is deficient or the voter is duly and  
72.2 successfully challenged in accordance with section 201.195 or 204C.12.

72.3 A voter registration application accepted prior to August 1, 1983, is not deficient for  
72.4 lack of date of birth. The county or municipality may attempt to obtain the date of birth for  
72.5 a voter registration application accepted prior to August 1, 1983, by a request to the voter  
72.6 at any time except at the polling place. Failure by the voter to comply with this request does  
72.7 not make the registration deficient.

72.8 A voter registration application accepted before January 1, 2004, is not deficient for lack  
72.9 of a valid Minnesota driver's license or state identification number or the last four digits of  
72.10 a Social Security number. A voter registration application submitted by a voter who does  
72.11 not have a Minnesota driver's license or state identification number, or a Social Security  
72.12 number, is not deficient for lack of any of these numbers.

72.13 A voter registration application submitted electronically through the website of the  
72.14 secretary of state prior to April 30, 2014, is not invalid as a result of its electronic submission.

72.15 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.091, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

72.16 Subd. 9. **Restricted data.** A list provided for public inspection or purchase, or in response  
72.17 to a law enforcement inquiry, must not include a voter's date of birth or any part of a voter's  
72.18 Social Security number, driver's license number, identification card number, voter  
72.19 identification card number, military identification card number, or passport number.

72.20 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.121, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

72.21 Subdivision 1. **Entry of registration information.** (a) At the time a voter registration  
72.22 application is properly completed, submitted, and received in accordance with sections  
72.23 201.061 and 201.071, the county auditor shall enter the information contained on it into the  
72.24 statewide registration system. Voter registration applications completed before election day  
72.25 must be entered into the statewide registration system within ten days after they have been  
72.26 submitted to the county auditor. Voter registration applications completed on election day  
72.27 must be entered into the statewide registration system within 42 days after the election,  
72.28 unless the county auditor notifies the secretary of state before the deadline has expired that  
72.29 the deadline will not be met. Upon receipt of a notification under this paragraph, the secretary  
72.30 of state must extend the deadline for that county auditor by an additional 28 days. The  
72.31 secretary of state may waive a county's obligations under this paragraph if, on good cause  
72.32 shown, the county demonstrates its permanent inability to comply.



73.1 The secretary of state must post data on each county's compliance with this paragraph on  
73.2 the secretary of state's website including, as applicable, the date each county fully complied  
73.3 or the deadline by which a county's compliance must be complete.

73.4 (b) Upon receiving a completed voter registration application, the secretary of state may  
73.5 electronically transmit the information on the application to the appropriate county auditor  
73.6 as soon as possible for review by the county auditor before final entry into the statewide  
73.7 registration system. The secretary of state may mail the voter registration application to the  
73.8 county auditor.

73.9 (c) Within ten days after the county auditor has entered information from a voter  
73.10 registration application into the statewide registration system, the secretary of state shall  
73.11 compare the voter's name, date of birth, and driver's license number, state identification  
73.12 number, voter identification card number, or the last four digits of the Social Security number  
73.13 with the same information contained in the Department of Public Safety database.

73.14 (d) The secretary of state shall provide a report to the county auditor on a weekly basis  
73.15 that includes a list of voters whose name, date of birth, or identification number have been  
73.16 compared with the same information in the Department of Public Safety database and cannot  
73.17 be verified as provided in this subdivision. The report must list separately those voters who  
73.18 have submitted a voter registration application by mail and have not voted in a federal  
73.19 election in this state.

73.20 (e) The county auditor shall compile a list of voters for whom the county auditor and  
73.21 the secretary of state are unable to conclude that information on the voter registration  
73.22 application and the corresponding information in the Department of Public Safety database  
73.23 relate to the same person.

73.24 (f) The county auditor shall send a notice of incomplete registration to any voter whose  
73.25 name appears on the list and change the voter's status to "incomplete." A voter who receives  
73.26 a notice of incomplete registration from the county auditor may either provide the information  
73.27 required to complete the registration at least 21 days before the next election or at the polling  
73.28 place on election day.

73.29 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.13, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

73.30 Subd. 3. **Use of change of address system.** (a) At least once each month the secretary  
73.31 of state shall obtain a list of individuals registered to vote in this state who have filed with  
73.32 the United States Postal Service a change of their permanent address. The secretary of state  
73.33 may also periodically obtain a list of individuals with driver's licenses ~~or~~, state identification

74.1 cards, or voter identification cards to identify those who are registered to vote who have  
74.2 applied to the Department of Public Safety for a replacement driver's license ~~or~~ state  
74.3 identification card, or voter identification card with a different address, and a list of  
74.4 individuals for whom the Department of Public Safety received notification of a driver's  
74.5 license ~~or~~ state identification card, or voter identification card cancellation due to a change  
74.6 of residency out of state. However, the secretary of state shall not load data derived from  
74.7 these lists into the statewide voter registration system within the 47 days before the state  
74.8 primary or 47 days before a November general election.

74.9 (b) If the address is changed to another address in this state, the secretary of state shall  
74.10 locate the precinct in which the voter resides, if possible. If the secretary of state is able to  
74.11 locate the precinct in which the voter resides, the secretary must transmit the information  
74.12 about the changed address by electronic means to the county auditor of the county in which  
74.13 the new address is located. For addresses for which the secretary of state is unable to  
74.14 determine the precinct, the secretary may forward information to the appropriate county  
74.15 auditors for individual review. If the voter has not voted or submitted a voter registration  
74.16 application since the address change, upon receipt of the information, the county auditor  
74.17 shall update the voter's address in the statewide voter registration system. The county auditor  
74.18 shall mail to the voter a notice stating the voter's name, address, precinct, and polling place,  
74.19 unless the voter's record is challenged due to a felony conviction, noncitizenship, name  
74.20 change, incompetence, or a court's revocation of voting rights of individuals under  
74.21 guardianship, in which case the auditor must not mail the notice. The notice must advise  
74.22 the voter that the voter's voting address has been changed and that the voter must notify the  
74.23 county auditor within 21 days if the new address is not the voter's address of residence. The  
74.24 notice must state that it must be returned if it is not deliverable to the voter at the named  
74.25 address.

74.26 (c) If the change of permanent address is to an address outside this state, the secretary  
74.27 of state shall notify by electronic means the auditor of the county where the voter formerly  
74.28 resided that the voter has moved to another state. If the voter has not voted or submitted a  
74.29 voter registration application since the address change, the county auditor shall promptly  
74.30 mail to the voter at the voter's new address a notice advising the voter that the voter's status  
74.31 in the statewide voter registration system will be changed to "inactive" unless the voter  
74.32 notifies the county auditor within 21 days that the voter is retaining the former address as  
74.33 the voter's address of residence, except that if the voter's record is challenged due to a felony  
74.34 conviction, noncitizenship, name change, incompetence, or a court's revocation of voting  
74.35 rights of individuals under guardianship, the auditor must not mail the notice. If the notice

75.1 is not received by the deadline, the county auditor shall change the voter's status to "inactive"  
75.2 in the statewide voter registration system.

75.3 (d) If, in order to maintain voter registration records, the secretary of state enters an  
75.4 agreement to share information or data with an organization governed exclusively by a  
75.5 group of states, the secretary must first determine that the data security protocols are sufficient  
75.6 to safeguard the information or data shared. If required by such an agreement, the secretary  
75.7 of state may share the following data from the statewide voter registration system and data  
75.8 released to the secretary of state under section 171.12, subdivision 7a:

75.9 (1) name;

75.10 (2) date of birth;

75.11 (3) address;

75.12 (4) driver's license ~~or~~, state identification card number, or voter identification number;

75.13 (5) the last four digits of an individual's Social Security number; and

75.14 (6) the date that an individual's record was last updated.

75.15 If the secretary of state enters into such an agreement, the secretary and county auditors  
75.16 must process changes to voter records based upon that data in accordance with this section.  
75.17 Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, when data is shared with the secretary of  
75.18 state by another state, the secretary of state must maintain the same data classification that  
75.19 the data had while it was in the possession of the state providing the data.

75.20 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.14, is amended to read:

75.21 **201.14 COURT ADMINISTRATOR OF DISTRICT COURT; REPORT CHANGES**  
75.22 **OF NAMES.**

75.23 The state court administrator shall regularly report by electronic means to the secretary  
75.24 of state the name, address, and, if available, driver's license ~~or~~, state identification card  
75.25 number, or voter identification card number of each individual, 18 years of age or over,  
75.26 whose name was changed since the last report, by marriage, divorce, or any order or decree  
75.27 of the court. The secretary of state shall determine if any of the persons in the report are  
75.28 registered to vote under their previous name and shall prepare a list of those registrants for  
75.29 each county auditor. Upon receipt of the list, the county auditor shall make the change in  
75.30 the voter's record and mail to the voter the notice of registration required by section 201.121,  
75.31 subdivision 2. A notice must not be mailed if the voter's record is challenged due to a felony

76.1 conviction, lack of United States citizenship, legal incompetence, or court-ordered revocation  
76.2 of voting rights of persons under guardianship.

76.3 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.145, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

76.4 Subd. 2. **State court administrator report.** (a) The state court administrator must report  
76.5 on individuals 17 years of age or older who are under a guardianship in which a court order  
76.6 revokes the ward's right to vote or where the court has found the individual to be legally  
76.7 incompetent to vote.

76.8 (b) The state court administrator must report on individuals transferred to the jurisdiction  
76.9 of the court who meet a condition specified in paragraph (a).

76.10 (c) Each report required under this subdivision must include the following information  
76.11 for each individual in the report: name, address, date of birth, and, if available, last four  
76.12 digits of the Social Security number and driver's license ~~or~~, state identification card number,  
76.13 or voter identification card number.

76.14 (d) No later than seven calendar days after receiving a report under this subdivision, the  
76.15 secretary of state must determine if a person identified under paragraphs (a) and (b) is  
76.16 registered to vote and must prepare a list of those registrants for the county auditor. No later  
76.17 than seven calendar days after receiving the list from the secretary of state, the county auditor  
76.18 must challenge the status on the record in the statewide voter registration system of each  
76.19 individual named in the list.

76.20 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.145, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

76.21 Subd. 3. **Commissioner of corrections report; state court administrator report.** (a)  
76.22 The state court administrator must report on individuals 17 years of age or older who have  
76.23 been convicted of a felony.

76.24 (b) The commissioner of corrections must report on individuals 17 years of age or older  
76.25 who are currently:

76.26 (1) serving felony sentences under the commissioner's jurisdiction; or

76.27 (2) on probation for felony offenses that resulted in the loss of civil rights, as indicated  
76.28 by the statewide supervision system established under section 241.065.

76.29 (c) Each report under this subdivision must include the following information for each  
76.30 individual: name, address or last known residential address that is not a correctional facility,  
76.31 and date of birth. If available, each report must also include the individual's: corrections'

77.1 state identification number, last four digits of the Social Security number, driver's license  
77.2 ~~or~~, state identification card number, or voter identification card number, date of sentence,  
77.3 effective date of the sentence, county in which the conviction occurred, and date of discharge.

77.4 (d) No later than seven calendar days after receiving a report under this subdivision, the  
77.5 secretary of state must determine if a person identified under paragraph (a) is registered to  
77.6 vote and must prepare a list of those registrants for the county auditor. No later than seven  
77.7 calendar days after receiving a report under this subdivision, the secretary of state must  
77.8 determine if any data newly indicates that a person identified under paragraph (b) is registered  
77.9 to vote and must prepare a list of those registrants for the county auditor. No later than seven  
77.10 calendar days after receiving the list from the secretary of state, the county auditor must  
77.11 challenge the status on the record in the statewide voter registration system of each individual  
77.12 named in the list.

77.13 (e) The county auditor must identify an individual who registered to vote or voted while  
77.14 serving a felony sentence under the commissioner's jurisdiction or while on probation for  
77.15 a felony offense that resulted in the loss of civil rights during a period when the individual's  
77.16 civil rights were revoked. The county auditor must immediately send notice to the county  
77.17 attorney. The notice must include the name of the individual and any other identifying  
77.18 information as well as the evidence that shows the individual registered to vote or voted  
77.19 during the period when the individual's civil rights were revoked.

77.20 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.145, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

77.21 Subd. 4. **Reports; restoration of right to vote.** (a) The state court administrator must  
77.22 report on each individual whose guardianship was modified to restore the ward's right to  
77.23 vote or whose guardianship was terminated by order of the court under section 524.5-317  
77.24 after being ineligible to vote for any of the reasons specified in subdivision 2, paragraph  
77.25 (a).

77.26 (b) The state court administrator must report on individuals previously convicted of a  
77.27 felony whose civil rights have been restored.

77.28 (c) The commissioner of corrections must report on individuals who were serving a  
77.29 felony sentence under the commissioner's jurisdiction or who were on probation for a felony  
77.30 offense under the commissioner's jurisdiction that resulted in the loss of civil rights but who  
77.31 have been discharged from the sentence.

77.32 (d) Each report under this subdivision must include the following information for each  
77.33 individual: name, address, date of birth, and, if available, the last four digits of the Social

78.1 Security number. For reports required by paragraphs (b) and (c), each report must also  
78.2 include the individual's, if available: corrections' state identification number, driver's license  
78.3 ~~or~~, state identification card number, or voter identification card number, date of sentence,  
78.4 effective date of the sentence, county in which the conviction occurred, and date of discharge.

78.5 (e) No later than seven calendar days after receiving a report under this subdivision, the  
78.6 secretary of state must determine if a person identified under paragraph (a) or (b) is registered  
78.7 to vote and must prepare a list of those registrants for the county auditor. No later than seven  
78.8 calendar days after receiving a report under this subdivision, the secretary of state must  
78.9 determine if any data newly indicates that a person identified under paragraph (c) is registered  
78.10 to vote and must prepare a list of those registrants for the county auditor. No later than seven  
78.11 calendar days after receiving the list from the secretary of state, the county auditor must  
78.12 remove the challenge status on the record in the statewide voter registration system of each  
78.13 individual named in the list.

78.14 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.145, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

78.15 Subd. 5. **Commissioner of public safety report.** (a) The commissioner of public safety  
78.16 must report on individuals identified by department data as having temporary lawful status  
78.17 in the United States.

78.18 (b) The report under this section must include the following information for each  
78.19 individual: name, address, date of birth, driver's license ~~or~~, state identification card number,  
78.20 voter identification card number, and, if available, last four digits of the Social Security  
78.21 number.

78.22 (c) No later than seven calendar days after receiving a report under this subdivision, the  
78.23 secretary of state must determine if any data newly indicates that a person identified under  
78.24 paragraph (a) is registered to vote and prepare a list of those voters for the county auditor.  
78.25 Within seven calendar days of receiving the list from the secretary of state, the county  
78.26 auditor must challenge the status on the record in the statewide voter registration system of  
78.27 each individual named in the list.

78.28 (d) The county auditor must also immediately send notice to the county attorney of each  
78.29 individual identified in paragraph (c). The notice must include the name of the individual  
78.30 and any other identifying information as well as the evidence that shows the individual  
78.31 registered to vote or voted and is not a citizen.

79.1 Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.161, is amended to read:

79.2 **201.161 DRIVER'S LICENSE AND IDENTIFICATION CARD APPLICATIONS.**

79.3 The Department of Public Safety shall change its applications for an original, duplicate,  
79.4 or change of address driver's license ~~or~~ identification card, or voter identification card so  
79.5 that the forms may also serve as voter registration applications. The forms must contain  
79.6 spaces for all information collected by voter registration applications prescribed by the  
79.7 secretary of state. Applicants for driver's licenses ~~or~~ identification cards, or voter  
79.8 identification cards must be asked if they want to register to vote at the same time and that  
79.9 information must be transmitted at least weekly by electronic means to the secretary of state.  
79.10 Pursuant to the Help America Vote Act of 2002, Public Law 107-252, the computerized  
79.11 driver's license record containing the voter's name, address, date of birth, driver's license  
79.12 number or state identification number, county, town, and city must be made available for  
79.13 access by the secretary of state and interaction with the statewide voter registration system.

79.14 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 201.225, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

79.15 Subd. 2. **Technology requirements.** An electronic roster must:

79.16 (1) be able to be loaded with a data file that includes voter registration data in a file  
79.17 format prescribed by the secretary of state;

79.18 (2) allow for data to be exported in a file format prescribed by the secretary of state;

79.19 (3) allow for data to be entered manually or by scanning a Minnesota driver's license  
79.20 ~~or~~ identification card, or voter identification card to locate a voter record or populate a  
79.21 voter registration application that would be printed and signed and dated by the voter. The  
79.22 printed registration application can be either a printed form, labels printed with voter  
79.23 information to be affixed to a preprinted form, or a combination of both;

79.24 (4) allow an election judge to update data that was populated from a scanned driver's  
79.25 license ~~or~~ identification card, or voter identification card;

79.26 (5) cue an election judge to ask for and input data that is not populated from a scanned  
79.27 driver's license ~~or~~ identification card, or voter identification card that is otherwise required  
79.28 to be collected from the voter or an election judge;

79.29 (6) immediately alert the election judge if the voter has provided information that indicates  
79.30 that the voter is not eligible to vote;

80.1 (7) immediately alert the election judge if the electronic roster indicates that a voter has  
80.2 already voted in that precinct, the voter's registration status is challenged, or it appears the  
80.3 voter resides in a different precinct;

80.4 (8) provide immediate instructions on how to resolve a particular type of challenge when  
80.5 a voter's record is challenged;

80.6 (9) provide for a printed voter signature certificate, containing the voter's name, address  
80.7 of residence, date of birth, voter identification number, the oath required by section 204C.10,  
80.8 and a space for the voter's original signature. The printed voter signature certificate can be  
80.9 either a printed form or a label printed with the voter's information to be affixed to the oath;

80.10 (10) contain only preregistered voters within the precinct, and not contain preregistered  
80.11 voter data on voters registered outside of the precinct;

80.12 (11) be only networked within the polling location on election day, except for the purpose  
80.13 of updating absentee ballot records;

80.14 (12) meet minimum security, reliability, and networking standards established by the  
80.15 Office of the Secretary of State in consultation with the Office of MN.IT Services;

80.16 (13) be capable of providing a voter's correct polling place; and

80.17 (14) perform any other functions necessary for the efficient and secure administration  
80.18 of the participating election, as determined by the secretary of state.

80.19 Electronic rosters used only for election day registration do not need to comply with clauses  
80.20 (1), (8), and (10). Electronic rosters used only for preregistered voter processing do not need  
80.21 to comply with clauses (4) and (5).

80.22 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.065, is amended to read:

80.23 **203B.065 USING THE REGISTRATION SYSTEM.**

80.24 Upon accepting an application for a state primary or state general election, the county  
80.25 auditor or municipal clerk shall record in the statewide voter registration system the voter's  
80.26 name, date of birth, address of residence in Minnesota, mailing address, Minnesota driver's  
80.27 license ~~or~~, state identification number, or voter identification card, or the last four digits of  
80.28 the voter's Social Security number, if provided by the voter. Upon acceptance of an absentee  
80.29 ballot application of a voter who is registered to vote at an address different from the  
80.30 residential address certified on the absentee ballot application, the voter registration record  
80.31 with the previous address shall be challenged. Once the absentee ballot has been transmitted  
80.32 to the voter, the method of transmission and the date of transmission must be recorded.



81.1       Upon receipt of a returned absentee ballot for a state primary or state general election,  
81.2       the county auditor or municipal clerk shall record in the statewide voter registration system  
81.3       that the voter has returned the ballot.

81.4       Upon receipt of notice that the ballot board has accepted or rejected the absentee ballot  
81.5       for a state primary or state general election, the county auditor or municipal clerk shall  
81.6       record in the statewide voter registration system whether the ballot was accepted or rejected,  
81.7       and if rejected, the reason for rejection. If a replacement ballot is transmitted to the voter,  
81.8       the county auditor or municipal clerk shall record this in the statewide voter registration  
81.9       system.

81.10      The labels provided for envelopes used for transmitting an absentee ballot to and from  
81.11      an applicant for an absentee ballot for a state primary or state general election must contain  
81.12      bar codes generated by the statewide voter registration system to facilitate the recording  
81.13      required under this section. A county auditor or municipal clerk entering information into  
81.14      the statewide voter registration system under this section must include the information  
81.15      provided on the bar code label whenever information is entered into the system.

81.16      Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.17, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

81.17      Subd. 2. **Required information.** (a) An application shall be accepted if it contains the  
81.18      following information stated under oath:

81.19      (1) the voter's name, birthdate, and present address of residence in Minnesota, or former  
81.20      address of residence or parent's former address of residence in Minnesota if the voter is  
81.21      living permanently outside the United States;

81.22      (2) a statement indicating that the voter is in the military, or is the spouse or dependent  
81.23      of an individual serving in the military, or is temporarily outside the territorial limits of the  
81.24      United States, or is living permanently outside the territorial limits of the United States and  
81.25      voting under federal law;

81.26      (3) a statement that the voter expects to be absent from the precinct at the time of the  
81.27      election;

81.28      (4) the address to which absentee ballots are to be mailed;

81.29      (5) the voter's signature or the signature and relationship of the individual authorized to  
81.30      apply on the voter's behalf;

81.31      (6) the voter's passport number, Minnesota driver's license ~~or~~, state identification card  
81.32      number, or voter identification card, or the last four digits of the voter's Social Security

82.1 number; if the voter does not have access to any of these documents, the voter or other  
82.2 individual requesting absentee ballots may attest to the truthfulness of the contents of the  
82.3 application under penalty of perjury; and

82.4 (7) the voter's e-mail address, if the application was submitted electronically through  
82.5 the secure website maintained by the secretary of state.

82.6 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), clause (6), an application submitted through the  
82.7 secretary of state's website must include the voter's verifiable Minnesota driver's license  
82.8 number, Minnesota state identification card number, voter identification card number, or  
82.9 the last four digits of the voter's Social Security number, and may only be transmitted to  
82.10 the county auditor for processing if the secretary of state has verified the application  
82.11 information matches the information in a government database associated with the applicant's  
82.12 driver's license number, state identification card number, voter identification card number,  
82.13 or Social Security number. The secretary of state must review all unverifiable applications  
82.14 for evidence of suspicious activity and must forward any such application to an appropriate  
82.15 law enforcement agency for investigation.

82.16 Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.19, is amended to read:

82.17 **203B.19 RECORDING APPLICATIONS.**

82.18 Upon accepting an application, the county auditor shall record in the statewide registration  
82.19 system the voter's name, address of present or former residence in Minnesota, mailing  
82.20 address, school district number, passport number, Minnesota driver's license number ~~or~~,  
82.21 state identification card number, or voter identification card number, or the last four digits  
82.22 of the voter's Social Security number, and whether the voter is in the military or the spouse  
82.23 or dependent of an individual serving in the military, is a voter temporarily outside the  
82.24 territorial limits of the United States, or is living permanently outside the territorial limits  
82.25 of the United States and voting under federal law. The county auditor shall retain the record  
82.26 for six years. A voter whose name is recorded as provided in this section shall not be required  
82.27 to register under any other provision of law in order to vote under sections 203B.16 to  
82.28 203B.27. Persons from whom applications are not accepted must be notified by the county  
82.29 auditor and provided with the reasons for the rejection.

82.30 No later than 60 days after the general election, the county auditor shall report to the  
82.31 secretary of state the combined number of absentee ballots transmitted to and the combined  
82.32 number of absentee ballots returned and cast by absent voters described in section 203B.16.  
82.33 The secretary of state may require the information be reported by category under section  
82.34 203B.16 or by precinct.

83.1 No later than 90 days after the general election, the secretary of state shall report to the  
83.2 federal Election Assistance Commission the number of absentee ballots transmitted to voters  
83.3 under section 203B.16.

83.4 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.21, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

83.5 Subd. 3. **Back of return envelope.** On the back of the return envelope a certificate shall  
83.6 appear with space for:

83.7 (1) the voter's address of present or former residence in Minnesota;

83.8 (2) the voter's current e-mail address, if the voter has one;

83.9 (3) a statement indicating the category described in section 203B.16 to which the voter  
83.10 belongs;

83.11 (4) a statement that the voter has not cast and will not cast another absentee ballot in the  
83.12 same election or elections;

83.13 (5) a statement that the voter personally marked the ballots without showing them to  
83.14 anyone, or if physically unable to mark them, that the voter directed another individual to  
83.15 mark them; and

83.16 (6) the same voter's passport number, Minnesota driver's license ~~or~~, state identification  
83.17 card number, or voter identification card, or the last four digits of the voter's Social Security  
83.18 number as provided on the absentee ballot application; if the voter does not have access to  
83.19 any of these documents, the voter may attest to the truthfulness of the contents of the  
83.20 certificate under penalty of perjury.

83.21 The certificate shall also contain a signed oath in the form required by section 705 of  
83.22 the Help America Vote Act, Public Law 107-252, which must read:

83.23 "I swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that:

83.24 I am a member of the uniformed services or merchant marine on active duty or an eligible  
83.25 spouse or dependent of such a member; a United States citizen temporarily residing outside  
83.26 the United States; or other United States citizen residing outside the United States; and I  
83.27 am a United States citizen, at least 18 years of age (or will be by the date of the election),  
83.28 and I am eligible to vote in the requested jurisdiction; I have not been convicted of a felony,  
83.29 or other disqualifying offense, or been adjudicated mentally incompetent, or, if so, my voting  
83.30 rights have been reinstated; and I am not registering, requesting a ballot, or voting in any  
83.31 other jurisdiction in the United States except the jurisdiction cited in this voting form. In  
83.32 voting, I have marked and sealed my ballot in private and have not allowed any person to

84.1 observe the marking of the ballot, except for those authorized to assist voters under state or  
84.2 federal law. I have not been influenced.

84.3 The information on this form is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge.  
84.4 I understand that a material misstatement of fact in completion of this document may  
84.5 constitute grounds for a conviction for perjury."

84.6 Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 203B.24, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

84.7 Subdivision 1. **Check of voter eligibility; proper execution of certificate.** Upon receipt  
84.8 of an absentee ballot returned as provided in sections 203B.16 to 203B.27, the election  
84.9 judges shall compare the voter's name with the names recorded under section 203B.19 in  
84.10 the statewide registration system to insure that the ballot is from a voter eligible to cast an  
84.11 absentee ballot under sections 203B.16 to 203B.27. The election judges shall mark the return  
84.12 envelope "Accepted" and initial or sign the return envelope below the word "Accepted" if  
84.13 the election judges are satisfied that:

84.14 (1) the voter's name on the return envelope appears in substantially the same form as on  
84.15 the application records provided to the election judges by the county auditor;

84.16 (2) the voter has signed the federal oath prescribed pursuant to section 705(b)(2) of the  
84.17 Help America Vote Act, Public Law 107-252;

84.18 (3) the voter has set forth the same voter's passport number, or Minnesota driver's license  
84.19 ~~or~~, state identification card number, or voter identification card number, or the last four  
84.20 digits of the voter's Social Security number as submitted on the application, if the voter has  
84.21 one of these documents;

84.22 (4) the voter is not known to have died; and

84.23 (5) the voter has not already voted at that election, either in person or by absentee ballot.

84.24 If the identification number described in clause (3) does not match the number as  
84.25 submitted on the application, the election judges must make a reasonable effort to satisfy  
84.26 themselves through other information provided by the applicant, or by an individual  
84.27 authorized to apply on behalf of the voter, that the ballots were returned by the same person  
84.28 to whom the ballots were transmitted.

84.29 An absentee ballot cast pursuant to sections 203B.16 to 203B.27 may only be rejected  
84.30 for the lack of one of clauses (1) to (5). In particular, failure to place the ballot within the  
84.31 security envelope before placing it in the outer white envelope is not a reason to reject an  
84.32 absentee ballot.

85.1 Election judges must note the reason for rejection on the back of the envelope in the  
85.2 space provided for that purpose.

85.3 Failure to return unused ballots shall not invalidate a marked ballot, but a ballot shall  
85.4 not be counted if the certificate on the return envelope is not properly executed. In all other  
85.5 respects the provisions of the Minnesota Election Law governing deposit and counting of  
85.6 ballots shall apply. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, the counting of the  
85.7 absentee ballot of a deceased voter does not invalidate the election.

85.8 Sec. 31. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

85.9 Except where otherwise provided, this article is effective June 1, 2023.

APPENDIX  
Repealed Minnesota Statutes: 21-03013

**201.061 REGISTRATION ON OR BEFORE ELECTION DAY.**

Subd. 7. **Record of attempted registrations.** The election judge responsible for election day registration shall attempt to keep a record of the number of individuals who attempt to register on election day but who cannot provide proof of residence as required by this section. The record shall be forwarded to the county auditor with the election returns for that precinct.