

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by Prior Reference
Vote:	3 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Atkinson, Monnes Anderson, Brown
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Ferrioli
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Meeting Dates:	2/6, 2/12

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires voter registration cards to be addressed to an elections official if the registration arrives after the 21st day before an election. Deletes the requirement that voters must request a ballot after they change their voter registration within 21 days prior to an election. Allows county clerk to automatically send a new ballot when the County Elections Office receives a new address for a voter. Allows the Secretary of State to collect information from the U.S. Postal Service in order to assist counties with updating voter registration databases. Declares emergency, takes effect on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Increasing voter registration and participation
- Effect of increased registration on double-majority rule
- County clerks working with U.S. Postal Service on voter registration addresses
- Process of registering to vote at the Department of Motor Vehicles
- Increased workload for county clerks with voter registration cards after the 21st day before an election

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces original measure.

BACKGROUND: Individuals may register to vote in Oregon if they: 1) are a resident; 2) are a citizen of the United States; and 3) will be 18 years old by Election Day. Individuals must fill out the voter registration form and submit it to their county elections office. The voter registration form must be postmarked by the 21st day before an election in order to vote in that election.