

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
<b>Vote:</b>	8 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Barnhart, Berger, Freeman, Garrett, Holvey, Wingard, Hunt, Olson
<b>Nays:</b>	-
<b>Exc.:</b>	-
<b>Prepared By:</b>	Jim Stembridge, Administrator
<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	2/11, 3/30

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Creates 10-member National Voter Registration Act (NRVA) State Compliance Council consisting of representatives of the Governor, county clerks, Secretary of State, and five designated voter registration agencies. Directs the Council to assess federal guidelines, identify barriers, and ensure compliance with the National Voter Registration Act of 1993. Directs the Governor’s Office and Secretary of State to staff the Council. Declares emergency; effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Timing of federal compliance guidelines
- States out-of-compliance subject to lawsuits
- Oregon Secretary of State activities in implementation of NVRA
- Voter participation “gap” for young voters
- Current Department of Transportation (ODOT) Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) procedures under NVRA

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Replaces the measure.

**BACKGROUND:** The National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (NVRA) established procedures to increase voter registration of eligible citizens in elections for federal office; to protect the integrity of the political process; and to assure accurate and current voter registration rolls. To increase registration of eligible citizens, the NVRA required States to permit voter registration by the following means (in addition to any other method provided by state law): (a) by application simultaneous with an application for a motor vehicle driver's license (the so-called "motor-voter" registration); (b) by use of a uniform mail application; and, (c) by application in person at a designated agency. Text of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 is on the US House of Representatives website at <http://www.fvap.gov/resources/media/nvralaw.pdf>.

Voter registration in Oregon is under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of State and County Elections Offices.