

# House Bill 2449

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## SUMMARY

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Modifies required contents of voter registration card.  
Directs county clerk to record all information supplied by person on voter registration card.  
Becomes operative January 1, 2013.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to electors; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 247.171, 247.945 and 260.993.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 247.171 is amended to read:

5 247.171. (1) Except as provided in this subsection, the Secretary of State shall design, prepare  
6 and distribute state voter registration cards. The Secretary of State shall also distribute federal  
7 registration cards. Any person may apply in writing to the Secretary of State for permission to print,  
8 copy or otherwise prepare and distribute the registration cards designed by the Secretary of State.  
9 The secretary may revoke any permission granted under this subsection at any time. All registration  
10 cards shall be distributed to the public without charge.

11 (2) The Secretary of State shall approve any voter registration application form developed for  
12 use by the Department of Transportation under ORS 247.017 or by any other agency designated a  
13 voter registration agency under ORS 247.208.

14 (3) Each voter registration card designed or approved by the Secretary of State shall describe  
15 the penalties for knowingly supplying false information on the registration card and shall contain  
16 space for a person to provide the following information:

17 (a) Full name;

18 (b) Residence address, mailing address or any other information necessary to locate the resi-  
19 dence of the person offering to register to vote;

20 (c) The name of the political party with which the person is affiliated, if any;

21 (d) Date of birth;

22 (e) An indication that the person is a citizen of the United States; and

23 (f) A signature attesting to the fact that the person is qualified to be an elector.

24 (4) Any form containing a voter registration card may also include space for a person to provide:

25 (a) A telephone number where the person may be contacted; and

26 (b) If previously registered to vote in this state, the name then supplied by the person and the  
27 county and, if known, the address of previous registration.

28 **(5) Each voter registration card designed or approved by the Secretary of State shall in-**  
29 **clude a notice that any information supplied by the person on the voter registration card**  
30 **may not be used for commercial purposes.**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted.  
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1        [(5)] (6) A person shall not supply any information under subsection (3) or (4) of this section  
 2 knowing it to be false.

3        [(6)] (7) A county clerk or other person accepting registration cards shall not request any in-  
 4 formation unless it is authorized by state or federal law.

5        [(7)] (8) A person shall attest to the information supplied on the voter registration card by  
 6 signing the completed registration card.

7        [(8)] (9) Any completed and signed registration card described in subsection (3) of this section  
 8 shall be the official registration card of the elector.

9        **(10) The county clerk shall record all information supplied by a person on a completed**  
 10 **voter registration card under subsections (3) and (4) of this section.**

11        **SECTION 2.** ORS 247.945 is amended to read:

12        247.945. (1) The county clerk, upon request before the 45th day before a primary, general or  
 13 special election, shall deliver to any person a list of electors. The list may not contain any infor-  
 14 mation about participants in the Address Confidentiality Program established under ORS 192.820 to  
 15 192.868. The lists shall be prepared in the manner requested, limited only to the capabilities of the  
 16 Secretary of State or the county clerk.

17        (2) The county clerk shall collect and pay into the county treasury a charge for the actual cost  
 18 of supplying lists under subsection (1) of this section.

19        (3) The county clerk shall keep a record of all persons to whom a list of electors is delivered  
 20 under this section.

21        (4) Upon request, the Secretary of State shall deliver to any person a statewide list of electors.  
 22 The secretary shall charge a fee of \$500 for delivering a list under this subsection. The list may not  
 23 contain any information about participants in the Address Confidentiality Program established under  
 24 ORS 192.820 to 192.868.

25        **(5) A list provided under this section shall contain all the information supplied by a per-**  
 26 **son on a voter registration card under ORS 247.171 (3) and (4).**

27        **SECTION 3.** ORS 260.993 is amended to read:

28        260.993. (1) The penalty for violation of ORS 260.532 is limited to that provided in ORS 260.532  
 29 (6) and (8).

30        (2) Violation of ORS 247.125 (1), 247.171 [(5)] (6), 247.420 (2), 253.710, 260.402, 260.555, 260.558,  
 31 260.575, 260.645 or 260.665 (2) or (3) involving any action described in ORS 260.665 (2)(d) to (f) or  
 32 260.715 is a Class C felony.

33        (3) Violation of ORS 260.695 (4) is a Class A misdemeanor.

34        (4) Violation of ORS 247.171 [(6)] (7) is a Class C misdemeanor.

35        **SECTION 4. The amendments to ORS 247.171, 247.945 and 260.993 by sections 1 to 3 of this**  
 36 **2011 Act become operative January 1, 2013.**

37        **SECTION 5. The Secretary of State or county clerk may take any action before January**  
 38 **1, 2013, that is necessary to enable the secretary or county clerk to exercise, on and after**  
 39 **January 1, 2013, all the duties, functions and powers conferred on the secretary or county**  
 40 **clerk by the amendments to ORS 247.171 and 247.945 by sections 1 and 2 of this 2011 Act.**