Minority Report

A-Engrossed House Bill 2988

Ordered by the House March 21 Including House Minority Report Amendments dated March 21

Sponsored by nonconcurring members of the House Committee on Rules: Representatives HICKS, BERGER

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Allows person who is at least 16 years of age to register to vote.

Prohibits disclosure of voter registration information of person under 18 years of age. Prohibits person under 18 years of age from using voter registration form to adopt political party affiliation.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to age of voter registration; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 247.016 and 3 247.017.

4 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 247.016 is amended to read:

6 247.016. (1) Subject to [subsection (2)] subsections (2) and (3) of this section, an otherwise 7 qualified person who is at least [17] 16 years of age may register to vote.

8 (2) A person who registers to vote under subsection (1) of this section may not vote in an 9 election until the person attains the age of 18 years.

10 (3) Until a person who registers to vote under subsection (1) of this section attains the 11 age of 18 years:

(a) The person's voter registration information, including but not limited to the person's
name and any identifying information, may not be disclosed as a public record under ORS
192.410 to 192.505.

15 (b) The person may not use the voter registration form to adopt a political party affil-16 iation.

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SECTION 2. ORS 247.017 is amended to read:

18 247.017. (1) The Department of Transportation shall make a voter registration card available to 19 any person at any office of the department where licenses or renewal applications are distributed 20 or received.

(2) When a person who is at least [17] 16 years of age applies for issuance or renewal of an
Oregon driver license, as defined in ORS 801.245, or issuance of a state identification card under
ORS 807.400 or submits a change of address application form at a department office where driver
license issuance or renewal applications, state identification card applications or change of address
applications are distributed or received, department personnel shall inform the person that the per-

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son may register to vote at the department office. Department personnel shall ask the applicant
 whether the applicant is registered to vote at the applicant's current address and if not, whether the
 applicant would like to register to vote at the department office.

4 (3) Each office shall deliver in a timely manner the completed voter registration cards to the 5 county clerk or elections officer of the county in which the office is located. The county clerk or 6 elections officer of the county where the office is located shall forward the registration card to the 7 county clerk or elections officer of the county in which the applicant resides. The county clerk or 8 elections officer may reject any registration card in accordance with ORS 247.174. The Secretary 9 of State shall determine by rule the time and manner the completed registration cards are to be 10 delivered to the appropriate county clerk or elections officer.

(4) The department shall develop a driver license issuance or renewal and voter registration 11 12 application procedure and a state identification card issuance and voter registration application procedure and a change of address and voter registration application procedure that allows an ap-13 plicant for a license, renewal, state identification card or change of address to register to vote by 14 15providing the information required by ORS 247.171 and the information required for the issuance or 16 renewal of a license or for issuance of a state identification card. The Secretary of State shall approve the voter registration portion of each application procedure and change of address procedure. 1718 (5) The voter registration portion of an application described in subsection (4) of this section shall comply with provisions of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (P.L. 103-31). 19

(6) The Secretary of State shall adopt rules establishing procedures for meeting the requirements
 of subsection (3) of this section.

(7) Information relating to the failure of an applicant under this section to sign the voter registration portion of an application for issuance or renewal of a driver license, issuance of a state identification card or for a change of address may not be used for other than voter registration purposes.

26 <u>SECTION 3.</u> The amendments to ORS 247.016 and 247.017 by sections 1 and 2 of this 2013 27 Act apply to a person who is at least 16 years of age on or after the effective date of this 28 2013 Act.

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