

House Bill 3416

Sponsored by Representative WEIDNER; Representative HOYLE

SUMMARY

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Directs county clerks to distribute, upon request, list of persons whose ballots have been challenged because signature of person on return identification envelope does not match signature on person's registration card.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to ballots; amending ORS 254.426.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 254.426 is amended to read:

5 254.426. (1) Whenever any person votes a challenged ballot, the county clerk shall ensure that
6 the ballot offered by the person includes the number of the written statement of challenge so that
7 the ballot may be identified in any future contest of the election.

8 (2) The county clerk shall examine the challenge and determine if the person is validly regis-
9 tered to vote and if the vote was properly cast. The ballot shall be counted only if the county clerk
10 determines the person is validly registered.

11 (3) The county clerk shall ensure that the information on the numbered written statement is
12 treated as confidential so that in the event of a recount of votes it cannot be determined how any
13 challenged person voted.

14 (4) The county clerk shall mail to each person voting under this section and ORS 254.415 a
15 written statement that describes the nature of the challenge. If the person does not provide evidence
16 sufficient to verify the person's registration by the deadline described in subsection (5) of this sec-
17 tion, the registration of the person shall be considered inactive until the person updates or verifies
18 the registration, the registration is canceled or the county clerk determines that the person is
19 validly registered.

20 (5) The registration of each person voting under this section and ORS 254.415 shall be verified
21 not later than the 10th calendar day after the date of the election in order for the vote of the person
22 to be counted.

23 **(6) Notwithstanding any provision of subsections (1) to (5) of this section, upon request**
24 **of any person, the county clerk shall deliver to the requester a list of persons whose ballots**
25 **have been challenged because the signature of the person on the return identification en-**
26 **velope does not match the signature on the person's registration card.**

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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.