

House Bill 2869

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON RULES

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 **as introduced**.

Authorizes Secretary of State to designate agencies that have data identifying native language of electors in this state.

Permits secretary, to extent not otherwise prohibited by law, to require that agencies provide secretary with native language of electors and to include native language information in elector registration files.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to voter registration files; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 247.940.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2017 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 247.

SECTION 2. (1) The Secretary of State by rule shall designate agencies that have data identifying the native language of electors in this state.

(2) The secretary may, to the extent not otherwise prohibited by law:

(a) Require that an agency designated under subsection (1) of this section provide the secretary with the native language of electors in this state; and

(b) Include the information provided in paragraph (a) of this subsection in the elector registration files in a manner accessible to the public.

SECTION 3. ORS 247.940 is amended to read:

247.940. (1) Not later than the 21st day before any primary election, general election or special congressional election, a major political party qualified under ORS 248.006 or its affiliate within the county or a minor political party qualified under ORS 248.008 may request from the county clerk a list of active electors, as described in ORS 247.013, of the county. Except as provided in this section, the list shall contain the name, party affiliation, **native language**, residence or mailing address and precinct name or number of each active elector and shall be arranged in groups by election precinct. The list may not contain any information about participants in the Address Confidentiality Program established under ORS 192.820 to 192.868. A major political party or its affiliate within the county or a minor political party may make no more than two separate requests under this subsection.

(2) If the county clerk receives a request under subsection (1) of this section, the clerk shall deliver the list not later than:

(a) Ten days after receiving the request; or

(b) The date requested, provided that the date requested is more than 10 days after the request was made and at least 10 days before the date of any primary election, general election or special congressional election.

(3) The county clerk may not charge for preparation or delivery of the list supplied under this section.

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.