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Requested by Representative PHAM

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2745

- On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after "ORS" insert "247.017,".
- 2 Delete lines 5 through 30.
- On page 2, delete lines 1 through 11 and insert:
- **"SECTION 1.** ORS 247.171 is amended to read:
- 5 "247.171. (1) Except as provided in this subsection, the Secretary of State
- 6 shall design, prepare and distribute state voter registration cards. The Sec-
- 7 retary of State shall also distribute federal registration cards. Any person
- 8 may apply in writing to the Secretary of State for permission to print, copy
- 9 or otherwise prepare and distribute the registration cards designed by the
- 10 Secretary of State. The secretary may revoke any permission granted under
- this subsection at any time. All registration cards shall be distributed to the
- 12 public without charge.
- "(2) The Secretary of State shall approve any voter registration applica-
- tion form developed for use by any agency designated as a voter registration
- agency under ORS 247.208.
- "(3) Each voter registration card designed or approved by the Secretary
- of State shall describe the penalties for knowingly supplying false informa-
- tion on the registration card and shall contain space for a person to provide
- 19 the following information:
- 20 "(a) Full name;

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"(b) Residence address, mailing address or any other information neces-

- sary to locate the residence of the person offering to register to vote;
- 2 "(c) The name of the political party with which the person is affiliated, 3 if any;
- 4 "(d) Date of birth;
- 5 "(e) An indication that the person is a citizen of the United States; and
- 6 "(f) A signature attesting to the fact that the person is qualified to be an elector.
- 8 "(4) Any form containing a voter registration card may also include space 9 for a person to provide:
- "(a) A telephone number where the person may be contacted; and
- "(b) If previously registered to vote in this state, the name then supplied by the person and the county and, if known, the address of previous registration.
- 14 "(5) A person shall not supply any information under subsection (3) or (4) 15 of this section knowing it to be false.
 - "(6)(a) In addition to the requirements set forth in subsections (3) and (4) of this section, each voter registration card designed, prepared or distributed by the Secretary of State must also include a space where a person has the option to provide the person's:
- 20 **"(A) Race;**

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- 21 "(B) Ethnicity; and
- 22 "(C) Preferred language.
- "(b) Unless otherwise expressly provided by law, the requirements of this subsection do not apply to voter registration cards used to register a person to vote, or to update a registration to vote, at the Department of Transportation or any designated voter registration agency as described in ORS 247.208 where the Secretary of State does not design, prepare or distribute the voter registration cards.
- "[(6)] (7) A county clerk or other person accepting registration cards shall not request any information unless it is authorized by state or federal law.

- "[(7)] (8) A person shall attest to the information supplied on the voter registration card by signing the completed registration card.
- "[(8)] (9) Any completed and signed registration card described in subsection (3) of this section shall be the official registration card of the
- 5 elector.".
- In line 20, delete "(4)" and insert "(6)".
- On page 3, line 26, restore the bracketed material and delete the boldfaced material.
- 9 Delete lines 31 through 41 and insert:
- "SECTION 5. ORS 247.017, as amended by section 23c, chapter 701,
 Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:
- "247.017. (1) The Secretary of State shall by rule establish a schedule by which the Department of Transportation shall provide to the secretary electronic records containing the legal name, age, residence and citizenship information for, and the electronic signature of, each person who meets qualifications identified by the secretary by rule.
- "(2) Upon receiving the electronic record for, and electronic signature of, a person described in subsection (1) of this section, the Secretary of State shall provide the information to the county clerk of the county in which the person may be registered as an elector. The secretary or county clerk shall notify each person of the process to:
- 22 "(a) Decline being registered as an elector.
- 23 "(b) Adopt a political party affiliation.
- "(c) Provide the optional demographic information described in ORS
 247.171 (6).
- "(3) If a person notified under subsection (2) of this section does not decline to be registered as an elector within 21 calendar days after the Secretary of State or county clerk issues the notification, the person's electronic record and electronic signature submitted under subsection (1) of this section will constitute a completed registration card for the person for purposes of

- 1 this chapter. The person shall be registered to vote if the county clerk de-
- 2 termines that the person is qualified to vote under Article II, section 2, of
- 3 the Oregon Constitution, and the person is not already registered to vote.
- 4 "(4) A county clerk may not send a ballot to, or add to an elector regis-
- 5 tration list, a person who meets eligibility requirements until at least 21
- 6 calendar days after the Secretary of State or county clerk provided notifica-
- 7 tion to the person as described in subsection (2) of this section.
- 8 "(5) In addition to providing electronic records to the Secretary of State
- 9 under subsection (1) of this section, the Department of Transportation may
- by rule develop, and require the availability or use of, any form or applica-
- tion the department determines is necessary to ensure compliance with the
- voter registration provisions of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993
- 13 (P.L. 103-31).

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- "(6) The Secretary of State shall adopt rules required to implement sub-
- sections (1) to (4) of this section.
- 16 "SECTION 6. The amendments to ORS 247.017, 247.019, 247.171,
- 17 **247.948** and **260.993** by sections 1 to 5 of this 2021 Act become operative
- 18 on January 1, 2022.
- "SECTION 7. The Secretary of State may take any action before the
- 20 operative date specified in section 6 of this 2021 Act that is necessary
- 21 to enable the secretary to exercise, on and after the operative date
- specified in section 6 of this 2021 Act, all of the duties, functions and
- powers conferred on the secretary by the amendments to ORS 247.017,
- 24 247.019, 247.171, 247.948 and 260.993 by sections 1 to 5 of this 2021 Act.
- "SECTION 8. This 2021 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the
- date on which the 2021 regular session of the Eighty-first Legislative
- 27 Assembly adjourns sine die.".

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