House Bill 4133

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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.

Requires electronic voter registration system to allow qualified individual to register to vote if individual has Social Security number. Requires system to enable individual to electronically submit image of signature. Authorizes Secretary of State to have system include application allowing approved third-party organizations to submit registration cards electronically on behalf of individuals.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to voter registration; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 247.019.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 247.019 is amended to read:

247.019. (1) The Secretary of State by rule shall adopt an electronic voter registration system to be used by qualified persons who have a valid:

(a) Oregon driver license, as defined in ORS 801.245;

(b) Oregon driver permit, as defined in ORS 801.250; or

(c) State identification card, issued under ORS 807.400; or

(d) Social Security number.

(2)(a) The electronic voter registration system shall allow a qualified person to:

(A) Complete and deliver a registration card electronically; and

(B) Electronically submit an image of the person's signature if the person is registering to vote using a valid Social Security number.

(b) A registration card delivered under this section is considered delivered to the Secretary of State for purposes of this chapter.

(3) A person who completes a registration card electronically under this section consents to the use of the person's driver license, driver permit or state identification card signature, or an electronically submitted image of the person's signature, for voter registration purposes.

(4) If available, the Department of Transportation shall provide to the Secretary of State a digital copy of the driver license, driver permit or state identification card signature of each person who completes a registration card under this section.

(5) The electronic voter registration system may also include an application programming interface to allow third-party organizations to securely submit registration cards electronically on behalf of individuals. In order to submit registration cards under this subsection, a third-party organization must be approved as a voter registration organization under a process designed by the Secretary of State by rule.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of State shall implement the amendments to ORS 247.019 by section 1 of this 2022 Act no later than January 1, 2026.

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.

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