

House Bill 2580

Sponsored by Representative MORGAN; Representatives LEVY B, SMITH DB (Presession filed.)

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 voters to update signature in voter registration file at least once every eight years. Moves to inactive elector status voters who fail to update signature.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to signature on voter registration card; creating new provisions; and amending ORS
3 247.013.

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

5 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2023 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 247.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) The signature an elector submits under this chapter for purposes of**
7 **registering to vote must be updated at least once every eight years.**

8 **(2) The Secretary of State and the Department of Transportation shall adopt rules nec-**
9 **essary to facilitate the updating of signatures in the manner required by this section.**

10 **SECTION 3. ORS 247.013 is amended to read:**

11 247.013. (1) A qualified person shall be considered registered to vote in a county when the
12 person's first registration in the county occurs as described in ORS 247.012.

13 (2) An elector who changes residence address from the county in which the elector is registered
14 to a different county within the state, in order to vote in an election, must be an elector registered
15 in the county in which the new residence address of the elector is located.

16 (3) If there is a change in any information required for registration under this chapter, and the
17 elector has not changed residence address to another county, the registration of the elector may be
18 updated as provided in this chapter.

19 (4) Notwithstanding subsections (2) and (3) of this section, if an elector changes residence ad-
20 dress from the county in which the elector is registered to a different county within the state, the
21 elector need not register again if the registration of the elector is updated.

22 (5) If the county clerk does not have evidence of a change in any information required for reg-
23 istration under this chapter for an elector, the registration of the elector shall be considered active.

24 (6) The registration of an elector shall be considered inactive if:

25 (a) The county clerk has received evidence that there has been a change in the information re-
26 quired for registration under this chapter **or the signature of the elector has not been updated**
27 **in the manner required by section 2 of this 2023 Act;** and

28 (b) The county clerk has mailed the notice described in ORS 247.563.

29 **(7) The registration of an elector shall not be moved to an inactive file during the 60-day**
30 **period prior to any election because the elector has not updated the signature of the elector**
31 **in the manner required by section 2 of this 2023 Act.**

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.

