

Fifty-seventh Legislature  
First Regular Session

COMMITTEE ON FEDERALISM, MILITARY AFFAIRS & ELECTIONS  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2005  
(Reference to printed bill)

Amendment instruction key:

[GREEN UNDERLINING IN BRACKETS] indicates text added to statute or previously enacted session law.

[Green underlining in brackets] indicates text added to new session law or text restoring existing law.

[GREEN STRIKEOUT IN BRACKETS] indicates new text removed from statute or previously enacted session law.

[Green strikeout in brackets] indicates text removed from existing statute, previously enacted session law or new session law.

<<Green carets>> indicate a section added to the bill.

<<Green strikeout in carets>> indicates a section removed from the bill.

1 The bill as proposed to be amended is reprinted as follows:

2       Section 1. Section 16-166, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4       16-166. Verification of registration

5       A. Except for the mailing of sample ballots, a county recorder who  
6 mails an item to any elector shall send the mailing by nonforwardable  
7 first class mail marked with the statement required by the postmaster to  
8 receive an address correction notification. If the item is returned  
9 undelivered, the county recorder shall send a follow-up notice to that  
10 elector within three weeks of receipt of the returned notice. The county  
11 recorder shall send the follow-up notice to the address that appears in  
12 the general county register or to the forwarding address provided by the  
13 United States postal service. The follow-up notice shall include an  
14 appropriate internet address for revising voter registration information  
15 or a registration form and the information prescribed by section 16-131,  
16 subsection C and shall state that if the elector does not complete and  
17 return a new registration form with current information to the county  
18 recorder or make changes to the elector's voter registration information  
19 that is maintained online within thirty-five days, the elector's  
20 registration status shall be changed from active to inactive.

21       B. If the elector provides the county recorder with a new  
22 registration form or otherwise revises the elector's information, the  
23 county recorder shall change the general register to reflect the changes  
24 indicated on the new registration. If the elector indicates a new  
25 residence address outside that county, the county recorder shall forward  
26 the voter registration form or revised information to the county recorder  
27 of the county in which the elector's address is located. If the elector  
28 provides a new residence address that is located outside this state, the  
29 county recorder shall cancel the elector's registration.

1       C. The county recorder shall maintain on the inactive voter list  
2 the names of electors who have been removed from the general register  
3 pursuant to subsection A or E of this section for a period of four years  
4 or through the date of the second general election for federal office  
5 following the date of the notice from the county recorder that is sent  
6 pursuant to subsection E of this section.

7       D. On notice that a government agency has changed the name of any  
8 street, route number, post office box number or other address designation,  
9 the county recorder shall revise the registration records and shall send a  
10 new verification of registration notice to the electors whose records were  
11 changed.

12     E. The county recorder on or before May 1 of each year preceding a  
13 state primary and general election or more frequently as the recorder  
14 deems necessary may use the change of address information supplied by the  
15 postal service through its licensees and the information provided by an  
16 electronic voter registration information center to identify registrants  
17 whose addresses may have changed. If it appears from information provided  
18 by the postal service or an electronic voter registration information  
19 center that a registrant has moved to a different residence address, the  
20 county recorder shall send the registrant a notice of the change by  
21 forwardable mail and a postage prepaid preaddressed return form or an  
22 appropriate internet address for revising voter registration information  
23 by which the registrant may verify or correct the registration  
24 information. If the registrant fails to revise the information or return  
25 the form postmarked not later than thirty-five days after the mailing of  
26 the notice, the elector's registration status shall be changed from active  
27 to inactive. If the notice sent by the recorder is not returned, the  
28 registrant may be required to provide affirmation or confirmation of the  
29 registrant's address in order to vote. If the registrant does not vote in  
30 an election during the period after the date of the notice from the  
31 recorder through the date of the second general election for federal  
32 office following the date of that notice, the registrant's name shall be  
33 removed from the list of inactive voters. If the registrant has changed  
34 residence to a new county, the county recorder shall provide information  
35 on how the registrant can continue to be eligible to vote.

36     F. The county recorder shall reject any application for  
37 registration that is not accompanied by satisfactory evidence of United  
38 States citizenship. Satisfactory evidence of citizenship shall include  
39 any of the following:

40       1. The number of the applicant's driver license or nonoperating  
41 identification license issued after October 1, 1996 by the department of  
42 transportation or the equivalent governmental agency of another state  
43 within the United States if the agency indicates on the applicant's driver  
44 license or nonoperating identification license that the person has  
45 provided satisfactory proof of United States citizenship.

46       2. A legible photocopy of the applicant's birth certificate that  
47 verifies citizenship to the satisfaction of the county recorder.

1       3. A legible photocopy of pertinent pages of the applicant's United  
2 States passport identifying the applicant and the applicant's passport  
3 number or presentation to the county recorder of the applicant's United  
4 States passport.

5       4. A presentation to the county recorder of the applicant's United  
6 States naturalization documents or the number of the certificate of  
7 naturalization. If only the number of the certificate of naturalization  
8 is provided, the applicant shall not be included in the registration rolls  
9 until the number of the certificate of naturalization is verified with the  
10 United States immigration and naturalization service by the county  
11 recorder.

12      5. Other documents or methods of proof that are established  
13 pursuant to the immigration reform and control act of 1986.

14      6. The applicant's bureau of Indian affairs card number, tribal  
15 treaty card number or tribal enrollment number.

16      G. Notwithstanding subsection F of this section, any person who is  
17 registered in this state on the effective date of this amendment to this  
18 section is deemed to have provided satisfactory evidence of citizenship  
19 and shall not be required to resubmit evidence of citizenship unless the  
20 person is changing voter registration from one county to another.

21      H. For the purposes of this section, proof of voter registration  
22 from another state or county is not satisfactory evidence of citizenship.

23      I. A person who modifies voter registration records with a new  
24 residence ballot shall not be required to submit evidence of citizenship.  
25 After citizenship has been demonstrated to the county recorder, the person  
26 is not required to resubmit satisfactory evidence of citizenship in that  
27 county.

28      J. After a person has submitted satisfactory evidence of  
29 citizenship, the county recorder shall indicate this information in the  
30 person's permanent voter file. After two years the county recorder may  
31 destroy all documents that were submitted as evidence of citizenship.

32      K. ON RECEIPT OF INFORMATION THAT PROVIDES REASONABLE CAUSE TO  
33 BELIEVE A PERSON HAS FRAUDULENTLY REGISTERED TO VOTE OR THAT THE PERSON'S  
34 REGISTRATION INFORMATION IS INCORRECT, THE COUNTY RECORDER MAY PLACE THAT  
35 PERSON'S VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION IN [INACTIVE] [PAUSED] STATUS AND  
36 PROVIDE NOTICE TO THE PERSON AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW.

37 Enroll and engross to conform

38 Amend title to conform

And, as so amended, it do pass

JOHN GILLETTE  
CHAIRMAN

2005FEDERALISM MILITARY AFFAIRS ELECTIONS.docx

02/19/2025

06:47 PM

H: JH/lss