

Amend CSHB 2512 (house committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Sections 16.033(b), (c), and (d), Election Code, are amended to read as follows:

(b) If the registrar has reason to believe that a voter is no longer eligible for registration, the registrar shall deliver written notice to the voter indicating that the voter's registration status is being investigated by the registrar. The notice shall be delivered by forwardable mail to the mailing address on the voter's registration application and to any new address of the voter known to the registrar. If the secretary of state has adopted or recommended a form for a written notice under this section, the registrar must use that form.

(c) The notice must include:

(1) a request for information relevant to determining the voter's eligibility for registration; and

(2) a warning that the voter's registration is subject to cancellation if the registrar does not receive an appropriate reply on or before the 60th [~~30th~~] day after the date the notice is mailed.

(d) Except as provided by Subsection (e), the registrar shall cancel a voter's registration if:

(1) after considering the voter's reply, the registrar determines that the voter is not eligible for registration;

(2) no reply is received from the voter on or before the 60th [~~30th~~] day after the date the notice is mailed to the voter under Subsection (b); or

(3) each notice mailed under Subsection (b) is returned undelivered to the registrar with no forwarding information available.

SECTION _____. Section 18.068, Election Code, as added by Chapter 683 (HB 174), Acts of the 82nd Legislature, Regular Session, 2011, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 18.068. COMPARISON OF INFORMATION REGARDING INELIGIBILITY. (a) The secretary of state shall quarterly compare the information received under Section 16.001 of this code and

Section 62.113, Government Code, to the statewide computerized voter registration list. If the secretary determines that a voter on the registration list is deceased or has been excused or disqualified from jury service because the voter is not a citizen, the secretary shall send notice of the determination to the voter registrar of the counties considered appropriate by the secretary.

(b) The following information combinations identified as common to a voter and an individual who is deceased are considered a weak match:

(1) an exact match of first name, last name, and date of birth;

(2) an exact match of first name, last name, and full social security number;

(3) an exact match of date of birth and full social security number;

(4) an exact match of last name, date of birth, and last four digits of social security number;

(5) an exact match of last name and full social security number; or

(6) an exact match of information in the combination described by Subdivision (1), (2), (3), (4), or (5) and additional information determined by secretary of state rule, except as provided by Subsection (e).

(c) The secretary of state may not determine that a voter is deceased based on a weak match. The secretary of state may inform the county of the voter's residence that a weak match exists.

(d) On receiving notification from the secretary of state under Subsection (c) that a weak match of identifying information exists for a county voter and an individual who is deceased, the county shall investigate whether the voter is the individual who is deceased. If the county determines that the voter is alive or if the voter appears to vote in person, the county shall request that the voter provide any information required to be furnished on a voter registration application that the county does not have recorded for the voter, but the voter may not be required to furnish the information. A weak match may not be the sole basis on which to cancel a voter's voter registration or to require the voter to

furnish additional information to prevent cancellation of the voter's voter registration.

(e) An exact match of the last name, full social security number, and date of birth of a voter and an individual who is deceased is considered a strong match, except that the secretary of state may by rule require more information in common to determine that a strong match exists. The secretary of state may determine that a voter is deceased based on a strong match.

(f) The secretary of state may obtain information from other state agency databases when determining whether a voter is deceased.