

Amend CSSB 616 (house committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered ARTICLE to the bill and renumbering the remaining ARTICLES of the bill accordingly:

ARTICLE _____. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AS VOTER REGISTRATION
AGENCY

SECTION _____. Section 13.002(a), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A person desiring to register to vote must submit an application to the registrar of the county in which the person resides. Except as provided by Subsection (e) or Subchapter C, Chapter 20, an application must be submitted by personal delivery, by mail, or by telephonic facsimile machine in accordance with Sections 13.143(d) and (d-2).

SECTION _____. Section 20.062, Election Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(a) The Department of Public Safety shall prescribe and use a form and procedure that combines the department's application form for a license or card with an officially prescribed voter registration application form for each United States citizen who applies in person at the department's offices or online at the department's Internet website.

(d) A procedure prescribed under this section must provide for the electronic transmission of an applicant's voter registration data by the department to the secretary of state in accordance with Section 20.066.

SECTION _____. Sections 20.063(a) and (c), Election Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) The Department of Public Safety shall provide to each person who applies in person, by mail, or online at the department's Internet website ~~[at the department's offices]~~ for an original or renewal of a driver's license, a personal identification card, or a duplicate or corrected license or card an opportunity to complete a voter registration application form.

(c) A change of address that relates to a license or card and that is submitted to the department in person, ~~[or]~~ by mail, or online at the department's Internet website serves as a change of

address for voter registration unless the licensee or cardholder indicates that the change is not for voter registration purposes. The date of submission of a change of address to a department employee is considered to be the date of submission to the voter registrar for the purpose of determining the effective date of registration [~~only~~].