

SB0313



102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 2/19/2021, by Sen. Sue Rezin

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/20-2.2

from Ch. 46, par. 20-2.2

Amends the Election Code. Provides that if a voter is a United States citizen and has never lived in the United States but has a parent or legal guardian who is a qualified elector, then that person is eligible to register and vote in federal elections where his or her parent is a qualified elector. Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning elections.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing
5 Section 20-2.2 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/20-2.2) (from Ch. 46, par. 20-2.2)

7 Sec. 20-2.2. Any non-resident civilian citizen, otherwise
8 qualified to vote, may make application to the election
9 authority having jurisdiction over his precinct of former
10 residence for a vote by mail ballot containing the Federal
11 offices only not less than 10 days before a Federal election.
12 If the voter is a United States citizen and has never lived in
13 the United States but has a parent or legal guardian who is a
14 qualified elector pursuant to this Article, then that person
15 is eligible to register and vote in federal elections where
16 his or her parent is a qualified elector. Such application may
17 be made on the official postcard or by facsimile or electronic
18 transmission. A request pursuant to this Section shall entitle
19 the applicant to a vote by mail ballot for every election in
20 one calendar year at which Federal offices are filled. The
21 original application for ballot shall be kept in the office of
22 the election authority for one year as authorization to send a
23 ballot to the voter for each election to be held within that

1 calendar year at which Federal offices are filled. A certified
2 copy of such application for ballot shall be sent each
3 election with the vote by mail ballot to the election
4 authority's central ballot counting location to be used in
5 lieu of the original application for ballot. No registration
6 shall be required in order to vote pursuant to this Section.
7 Ballots under this Section shall be delivered by the election
8 authority in the manner prescribed by Section 20-5 of this
9 Article in person, by mail, or, if requested by the applicant
10 and the election authority has the capability, by facsimile
11 transmission or by electronic transmission. Ballots voted
12 under this Section must be returned postmarked no later than
13 election day and received for counting at the central ballot
14 counting location of the election authority during the period
15 for counting provisional ballots, the last day of which is the
16 14th day following election day.

17 (Source: P.A. 98-1171, eff. 6-1-15; 99-522, eff. 6-30-16.)

18 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
19 becoming law.