

## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2015 and 2016 HB5932

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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/1A-16.8

Amends the Election Code. Provides that the State Board of Elections shall cross-reference the statewide voter registration database against the driver's license information kept by the Secretary of State at least 12 times each calendar year and shall share the findings with the election authorities. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning elections.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing Section
- 5 1A-16.8 as follows:

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## 6 (10 ILCS 5/1A-16.8)

Sec. 1A-16.8. Automatic transfer of registration based upon information from the National Change of Address database and the Secretary of State's office. The State Board of shall cross-reference the statewide registration database against the United States Postal Service's National Change of Address database twice each calendar year, April 15 and October 1 in odd-numbered years and April 15 and December 1 in even-numbered years, and shall share the findings with the election authorities. In addition, the State Board of Elections shall cross-reference the statewide voter registration database against the driver's license information kept by the Secretary of State at least 12 times each calendar year and shall share the findings with the election authorities. An election authority automatically register any voter who has moved into its jurisdiction from another jurisdiction in Illinois or has moved within its jurisdiction provided that:

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- (1) the election authority whose jurisdiction includes the new registration address provides the voter an opportunity to reject the change in registration address through a mailing, sent by non-forwardable mail, to the new registration address, and
- (2) when the election authority whose jurisdiction includes the previous registration address is a different election authority, then that election authority provides the same opportunity through a mailing, sent by forwardable mail, to the previous registration address.

This change in registration shall trigger the same inter-jurisdictional or intra-jurisdictional workflows as if the voter completed a new registration card, including the cancellation of the voter's previous registration. Should the registration of a voter be changed from one address to another within the State and should the voter appear at the polls and offer to vote from the prior registration address, attesting that the prior registration address is the true current address, the voter, if confirmed by the election authority as having been registered at the prior registration address and canceled only by the process authorized by this Section, shall be issued a regular ballot, and the change of registration address shall be canceled. If the election authority is unable to immediately confirm the registration, the voter shall be issued a provisional ballot and the provisional ballot shall be counted.

- 1 (Source: P.A. 98-1171, eff. 6-1-15.)
- 2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 3 becoming law.