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SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 4127

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled
"Michigan election law,"

by amending section 510 (MCL 168.510).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 510. **(1)** At least once a month, the county clerk shall forward a list of the last known address and birth date of all ~~persons~~**individuals** over 18 years of age who have died ~~within~~**in** the county to the clerk of each city or township ~~within~~**in** the county. The city or township clerk shall compare this list with the registration records and cancel the registration of all deceased electors.

(2) For each registered elector who has been assigned a placeholder date of birth on the qualified voter file because the actual date of birth of the registered elector is unknown, the secretary of state shall, not later than 90 days after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection, send by forwardable mail both of the following to the elector:

(a) A postage prepaid and preaddressed return card to the appropriate city or township clerk on which the elector may verify his or her date of birth and on which the elector must do both of the following:

(i) Sign his or her name.

(ii) Subject to subsection (3), attach to the return card a copy of his or her original birth certificate, current driver license, or current state personal identification card as proof of his or her date of birth.

(b) A notice that contains the following statement:

"Secretary of state records indicate that your date of birth is not on the qualified voter file. To confirm your status as a registered voter, please complete, sign, and return the enclosed card providing your date of birth and proof of date of birth to the appropriate city or township clerk at least 15 days before the next election. If you do not complete, sign, and return the enclosed card and provide proof of date of birth to the appropriate city or township clerk at least 15 days before the next election, you will be required to affirm your date of birth at the polls before you are permitted to vote. To keep your status as a registered voter, you must respond to this notice, vote, or engage in voting-related activity, including, but not limited to, requesting an absent voter ballot application or updating your voter registration, by the first business day after the second general November election that is held after the date on this notice."

(3) If an elector returns his or her completed and signed return card in person to the appropriate city or township clerk, the elector may provide proof of his or her date of birth by showing the city or township clerk his or her original birth certificate or his or her current driver license or current state personal identification card.

(4) Subject to subsection (5), until an elector returns a completed and signed return card, and provides proof of his or her date of birth, to the appropriate city or township clerk to verify his or her date of birth as provided in subsection (2), the city or township clerk shall identify the registration record of that elector as challenged as provided in this act.

(5) Upon receipt of a return card under subsection (2) from an elector, the appropriate city or township clerk shall compare the signature on the return card to the signature for that elector on the qualified voter file. If the signature on the return card and the signature for that elector on the qualified voter file do not match, the city or township clerk shall identify the registration record of that elector as challenged as provided in this act. The city or township clerk shall notify the elector that his or her signature on the return card did not match the signature for that elector on the qualified voter file and that his or her registration record is considered challenged. The notice to the elector under this subsection must include the steps the elector must take in order to no longer have his or her registration record considered to be challenged.

(6) If a notice sent under subsection (2) is returned to the secretary of state by the post office as undeliverable, the secretary of state shall identify the registration record of that elector as challenged as provided in this act. If the elector does not vote or engage in voting-related activity by the first business day after the second general November election that is held after the date on the notice, the secretary of state shall cancel the

registration of that elector and notify the appropriate city or township clerk of the cancellation.