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By Senators Roach, Sheahan, Honeyford, Johnson, Stevens, McDonald, Swecker, Morton, Hewitt, McCaslin, Finkbeiner and Hochstatter

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1 AN ACT Relating to voter registration; amending RCW 46.20.155; and
2 adding a new section to chapter 29.07 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 29.07 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 Every registrar, deputy registrar, registration assistant, or other
7 individual providing voter registration assistance shall ask the
8 following questions of all applicants:

9 First: "Do you want to register to vote or transfer your voter
10 registration?"

11 Second: "Are you a United States citizen?"

12 Third: "Are you at least eighteen years old?"

13 Fourth: "Will you have lived in the state at your current address
14 for at least thirty days before the next election?"

15 Fifth: "Do you confirm that your civil rights have not been denied
16 as the result of being convicted of a felony?"

17 If an applicant responds to all questions in the affirmative, the
18 individual shall provide the applicant with a voter registration form
19 and instructions.

1 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.20.155 and 1990 c 143 s 6 are each amended to read
2 as follows:

3 Before issuing an original license or identification card or
4 renewing a license or identification card under this chapter, the
5 licensing agent shall determine if the applicant wants to register to
6 vote or transfer his or her voter registration(~~(-)~~) by asking the
7 following questions:

8 First: "Do you want to register to vote or transfer your voter
9 registration?"

10 Second: "Are you a United States citizen?"

11 Third: "Are you at least eighteen years old?"

12 Fourth: "Will you have lived in the state at your current address
13 for at least thirty days before the next election?"

14 Fifth: "Do you confirm that your civil rights have not been denied
15 as the result of being convicted of a felony?"

16 If the applicant (~~(chooses to register or transfer a registration)~~)
17 responds in the affirmative to all questions, the agent shall provide
18 the applicant with a voter registration form and instructions and shall
19 record that the applicant has requested to register to vote or transfer
20 a voter registration.

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