

SB 5727 - DIGEST

Provides that, in order to vote at any election or primary, whether at a polling place or by absentee or mail ballot, a person must have registered to vote at least thirty days before the election or primary, regardless of the person's status as an absentee, mail ballot, out-of-state, overseas, or service voter.

Declares that a person may prove that he or she is a United States citizen with an original or copy of any one of the following: (1) A United States passport;

(2) A certified birth certificate issued by the city, county, or state. A certified birth certificate has a registrar's raised, embossed, impressed, or multicolored seal, registrar's signature, and the date the certificate was filed with the registrar's office, which must be within one year of birth;

(3) A consular report of birth abroad or certification of birth;

(4) A naturalization certificate; or

(5) A certificate of citizenship.

Provides that, in addition to any legal obligations of local election officers, the secretary of state in conjunction with the department of health shall arrange for a monthly comparison of any lists of known deaths maintained by the department of health with the statewide voter registration list. If a person is found on the department of health death list and the statewide voter registration list, the secretary of state or county auditor shall immediately cancel the voter registration from the official state voter registration list.

Provides that, in addition to any legal obligations of local election officers, the secretary of state in conjunction with the department of health, the department of social and health services, and the administrator for the courts shall arrange for a monthly comparison of any lists of persons known to have been declared mentally incompetent and unable to vote or placed under the care of a full guardianship due to their mental capacity. If a person is found on the department of health, the department of social and health services, or the administrator for the courts lists and the statewide voter registration list, the secretary of state or county auditor shall immediately cancel the voter registration from the official state voter registration list.

Requires that, in addition to any legal obligations of local election officers, the secretary of state in conjunction with local election officers shall make at a minimum a monthly comparison of names on the statewide voter registration list, and if a person is found registered more than once on the statewide voter registration list, the secretary of state or county auditor shall immediately cancel all voter registrations for that voter in excess of one from the official state voter registration list.

Repeals RCW 29A.08.145 and 29A.08.230.