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By Representative Taylor

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On page 2, line 23, after "transfer" insert "subject to the requirements of subsection (2) of this section"

On page 2, line 28, after "(2)" insert "Any applicant who is under the age of eighteen at the time of registration must provide documented proof of citizenship before he or she may be allowed to register. Documented proof of citizenship includes:

(a) A driver's license number or government issued identification

if citizenship is indicated;

(b) A photocopy of a birth certificate;

(c) A passport; or

(d) Naturalization documents or a certificate of naturalization.

(3)"

On page 2, after line 31, insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 29A.08 RCW to read as follows:

(1) A person who is at least sixteen years of age and who meets all requirements to vote except age may register to vote with the office of the secretary of state.

(2) To be eligible for registration, any registrant who is under

the age of eighteen at the time of registration must provide the

county auditor with documented proof of citizenship before he or she

may be allowed to register. Documented proof of citizenship includes:

(a) A driver's license number or government issued identification

if citizenship is indicated;

(b) A photocopy of a birth certificate;

(c) A passport; or

(d) Naturalization documents or a certificate of naturalization.

(3) A confirmation notice will be sent to the voter's address at the time the voter's registration is entered into the statewide voter registration database.

(4) The secretary of state is authorized to adopt rules to implement this section.

**Sec. 4.** RCW 29A.08.210 and 2009 c 369 s 16 are each amended to read as follows:

An applicant for voter registration shall complete an application providing the following information concerning his or her qualifications as a voter in this state:

(1) The former address of the applicant if previously registered to vote;

(2) The applicant's full name;

(3) The applicant's date of birth;

(4) The address of the applicant's residence for voting purposes;

(5) The mailing address of the applicant if that address is not the same as the address in subsection (4) of this section;

(6) The sex of the applicant;

(7) The applicant's Washington state driver's license number, Washington state identification card number, or the last four digits of the applicant's social security number if he or she does not have a Washington state driver's license or Washington state identification card;

(8) A check box allowing the applicant to indicate that he or she is a member of the armed forces, national guard, or reserves, or that he or she is an overseas voter;

(9) A check box allowing the applicant to confirm that he or she is at least eighteen years of age or will be eighteen years of age by the next election;

(10) Clear and conspicuous language, designed to draw the applicant's attention, stating that the applicant must be a United States citizen in order to register to vote;

(11) A check box and declaration confirming that the applicant is a citizen of the United States;

(12) Any applicant who is under the age of eighteen at the time

of registration must provide the county auditor with documented proof

of citizenship before he or she may be allowed to register. Documented

proof of citizenship includes:

(a) A driver's license number or government issued identification

if citizenship is indicated;

(b) A photocopy of a birth certificate;

(c) A passport; or

(d) Naturalization documents or a certificate of naturalization.

((~~(12)~~)) (13) The following warning:

"If you knowingly provide false information on this voter registration form or knowingly make a false declaration about your qualifications for voter registration you will have committed a class C felony that is punishable by imprisonment for up to five years, a fine of up to ten thousand dollars, or both."

((~~(13)~~)) (14) The oath required by RCW 29A.08.230 and a space for the applicant's signature; and

((~~(14)~~)) (15) Any other information that the secretary of state determines is necessary to establish the identity of the applicant and prevent duplicate or fraudulent voter registrations.

This information shall be recorded on a single registration form to be prescribed by the secretary of state.

**Sec. 5.** RCW 29A.08.330 and 2013 c 11 s 16 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The secretary of state shall prescribe the method of voter registration for each designated agency. The agency shall use either the state voter registration by mail form with a separate declination form for the applicant to indicate that he or she declines to register at this time, or the agency may use a separate form approved for use by the secretary of state.

(2) The person providing service at the agency shall offer voter registration services to every client whenever he or she applies for service or assistance and with each renewal, recertification, or change of address. The person providing service shall give the applicant the same level of assistance with the voter registration application as is offered to fill out the agency's forms and documents, including information about age and citizenship requirements for voter registration.

(3) The person providing service at the agency shall determine if the prospective applicant wants to register to vote or update his or her voter registration by asking the following question:

"Do you want to register to vote or update your voter registration?"

If the applicant chooses to register or update a registration, the service agent shall ask the following:

(a) "Are you a United States citizen?"

(b) "Are you or will you be eighteen years of age on or before the next election?"

If the applicant answers in the affirmative to both questions, the agent shall then provide the applicant with a voter registration form and instructions and shall record that the applicant has requested to register or update a voter registration. If the applicant answers in the negative to either question, the agent shall not provide the applicant with a voter registration form.

(4) Any applicant who is under the age of eighteen at the time

of registration must provide documented proof of citizenship before he

or she may be allowed to register. Documented proof of citizenship

includes:

(a) A driver's license number or government issued identification

if citizenship is indicated;

(b) A photocopy of a birth certificate;

(c) A passport; or

(d) Naturalization documents or a certificate of naturalization.

(5) If an agency uses a computerized application process, it may, in consultation with the secretary of state, develop methods to capture simultaneously the information required for voter registration during a person's computerized application process.

((~~(5)~~)) (6) Each designated agency shall transmit the applications to the secretary of state or appropriate county auditor within three business days."

Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly.

Correct the title.

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|  | EFFECT:  Requires applicants for voter registration who are  under age 18 to provide specified documentation proving United  States citizenship. |

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