

SB 5856 - S AMD 490
By Senator Braun

WITHDRAWN 01/31/2024

1 On page 6, after line 37, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 5. RCW 29A.08.210 and 2020 c 208 s 3 are each amended to
3 read as follows:

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

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

9 (2) The applicant's full name;

10 (3) The applicant's date of birth;

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

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

14 (6) The sex of the applicant;

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

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

23 (9) A check box indicating that the applicant, excluding voters
24 described in the federal uniformed and overseas citizens absentee
25 voting act and Article VI, section 3 of the state Constitution, would
26 like their ballot forwarded to an out-of-state residence and an
27 attestation that the applicant resides out of state less than 50
28 percent of the year;

29 (10) A check box allowing the applicant to acknowledge that he or
30 she is at least sixteen years old;

31 ~~((10))~~ (11) Clear and conspicuous language, designed to draw
32 the applicant's attention, stating that:

1 (a) The applicant must be a United States citizen in order to
2 register to vote; and

3 (b) The applicant may register to vote if the applicant is at
4 least sixteen years old and may vote if the applicant will be at
5 least eighteen years old by the next general election, or is at least
6 eighteen years old for special elections;

7 ~~((11))~~ (12) A check box and declaration confirming that the
8 applicant is a citizen of the United States;

9 ~~((12))~~ (13) The following warning:

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

15 ~~((13))~~ (14) The oath required by RCW 29A.08.230 and a space for
16 the applicant's signature; and

17 ~~((14))~~ (15) Any other information that the secretary of state
18 determines is necessary to establish the identity of the applicant
19 and prevent duplicate or fraudulent voter registrations.

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

22 **Sec. 6.** RCW 29A.08.210 and 2023 c 466 s 6 are each amended to
23 read as follows:

24 An applicant for voter registration shall complete an application
25 providing the following information concerning the applicant's
26 qualifications as a voter in this state:

27 (1) The applicant's full name;

28 (2) The applicant's date of birth;

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

30 (4) The mailing address of the applicant if that address is not
31 the same as the address in subsection (3) of this section;

32 (5) The gender of the applicant;

33 (6) The former address of the applicant if previously registered
34 to vote;

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

1 (8) A check box allowing the applicant to indicate membership in
2 the armed forces, national guard, or reserves, or overseas voter
3 status;

4 (9) A check box indicating that the applicant, excluding voters
5 described in the federal uniformed and overseas citizens absentee
6 voting act and Article VI, section 3 of the state Constitution, would
7 like their ballot forwarded to an out-of-state residence and an
8 attestation that the applicant resides out of state less than 50
9 percent of the year;

10 (10) Clear and conspicuous language, designed to draw the
11 applicant's attention, stating that:

12 (a) The applicant must be a United States citizen in order to
13 register to vote; and

14 (b) The applicant may register to vote if the applicant is at
15 least sixteen years old and may vote if the applicant will be at
16 least eighteen years old by the next general election, or is at least
17 eighteen years old for special elections;

18 (~~(10)~~) (11) A check box and declaration confirming that the
19 applicant is a citizen of the United States;

20 (~~(11)~~) (12) The following warning:

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

26 (~~(12)~~) (13) The oath required by RCW 29A.08.230 and a space for
27 the applicant's signature; and

28 (~~(13)~~) (14) Any other information that the secretary of state
29 determines is necessary to establish the identity of the applicant
30 and prevent duplicate or fraudulent voter registrations.

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

33 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** Section 5 of this act expires July 15,
34 2024.

35 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** Section 6 of this act takes effect July
36 15, 2024."

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1 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "challenges;" strike "and"

2 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "29A.08.835," strike "and"
3 "29A.08.840" and insert "29A.08.840, 29A.08.210, and 29A.08.210;
4 providing an effective date; and providing an expiration date"

EFFECT: Requires voter registration applications to include a check box indicating that the applicant, excluding voters described in the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act and Article 6, Section 3 of the state constitution, would like their ballot forwarded to an out of state residence and an attestation that the applicant resides out of state less than 50 percent of the year.

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