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A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to voter registration; to amend sections 32-301
2 and 32-330, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to
3 provide for electronic records of registration; to
4 harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original
5 sections.
6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 32-301, Reissue Revised Statutes of
2 Nebraska, is amended to read:

3 32-301. The election commissioner or county clerk shall
4 provide for the registration of the electors of the county. He or
5 she shall furnish and prepare a permanent registration register
6 containing records of registration for applicants who qualify as
7 registered voters. Upon receipt of an original affidavit of
8 registration in his or her office, the election commissioner or
9 county clerk may create an electronic image, photograph,
10 microphotograph, or reproduction in an electronic digital format to
11 be used as the permanent voter registration record. The permanent
12 register shall contain the information required by section 32-312.
13 The permanent register shall remain in the office of the election
14 commissioner or county clerk. A duplicate register containing the
15 precinct voter registration register for each precinct shall be
16 provided by the election commissioner or county clerk for the use
17 of judges and clerks of election in their respective precincts on
18 election day. An electronically prepared list of registered voters
19 in a form prescribed by the Secretary of State shall meet the
20 requirements for a duplicate register.

21 Sec. 2. Section 32-330, Reissue Revised Statutes of
22 Nebraska, is amended to read:

23 32-330. (1) The permanent registration register shall be
24 a public record. Any person may examine the register at the office
25 of the election commissioner or county clerk but shall not be
26 allowed to make copies of the register. The electronic records of
27 the original voter registrations created pursuant to section 32-301
28 may constitute the permanent registration register. The election

1 commissioner or county clerk shall withhold information in the
2 register designated as confidential under section 32-331.

3 (2) The election commissioner or county clerk shall make
4 available for purchase a list of registered voters that contains
5 the information required under section 32-312 and, if requested, a
6 list that only contains registered voters who have voted in an
7 election held more than sixty days prior to the request for the
8 list. The election commissioner or county clerk shall establish
9 the price of the lists at a rate that fairly covers the actual
10 production cost of the lists, not to exceed three cents per name.
11 Lists shall be used solely for purposes related to elections,
12 political activities, voter registration, law enforcement, or jury
13 selection. Lists shall not be used for commercial purposes.

14 (3) Any person who acquires a list of registered voters
15 under subsection (2) of this section shall take and subscribe to an
16 oath in substantially the following form:

17 I hereby swear that I will use the list of registered
18 voters of County, Nebraska, only for the purposes
19 prescribed in section 32-330 and for no other purpose and that I
20 will not permit the use or copying of such list for unauthorized
21 purposes.

22 I hereby declare under the penalty of election
23 falsification that the statements above are true to the best of my
24 knowledge.

25 The penalty for election falsification is a Class IV felony.

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27 (Signature of person acquiring list)

28 Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of 19--

1 20...

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3 (Name of officer)

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5 (Official title of officer)

6 (4) The election commissioner or county clerk shall
7 provide, upon request and free of charge, a complete and current
8 listing of all registered voters and their addresses to the Clerk
9 of the United States District Court for the District of Nebraska.
10 Such list shall be provided no later than December 31 of each
11 even-numbered year.

12 (5) The election commissioner or county clerk shall
13 provide, upon request and free of charge, a complete and current
14 listing of all registered voters and their addresses to the state
15 party headquarters of each political party and to the county
16 chairperson of each political party. Such list shall be provided
17 no later than thirty-five days prior to the statewide primary and
18 statewide general elections.

19 Sec. 3. Original sections 32-301 and 32-330, Reissue
20 Revised Statutes of Nebraska, are repealed.