



1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to voter registration list  
 3           maintenance; amending s. 98.075, F.S.; authorizing the  
 4           Department of State to become a member of a  
 5           nongovernmental entity to verify voter registration  
 6           information; establishing requirements for such  
 7           membership; requiring the Department of Highway Safety  
 8           and Motor Vehicles to provide specified information to  
 9           the Department of State; establishing reporting  
 10          requirements; providing an effective date.

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 12   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 14           Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 98.075, Florida  
 15   Statutes, is amended to read:

16           98.075   Registration records maintenance activities;  
 17   ineligibility determinations.—

18           (2)   DUPLICATE REGISTRATION.—

19           (a)   The department shall identify those voters who are  
 20   registered more than once or those applicants whose registration  
 21   applications within the state would result in duplicate  
 22   registrations. The most recent application shall be deemed an  
 23   update to the voter registration record.

24           (b)1.   The department may become a member of a  
 25   nongovernmental entity whose sole purpose is to share and



26 | exchange information in order to verify voter registration  
27 | information. The membership of the nongovernmental entity must  
28 | be composed solely of election officials of state governments,  
29 | except that such membership may also include election officials  
30 | of the District of Columbia. If the department intends to become  
31 | a member of such a nongovernmental entity, the agreement to join  
32 | the entity must require that the Secretary of State, or his or  
33 | her designee, serve as a full member with voting rights on the  
34 | nongovernmental entity's board of directors within 12 months  
35 | after joining the entity.

36 | 2. The department may share confidential and exempt  
37 | information after becoming a member of a nongovernmental entity  
38 | as provided in subparagraph 1. if:

39 | a. Each member of the nongovernmental entity agrees to  
40 | maintain the confidentiality of such information as required by  
41 | the laws of the jurisdiction providing the information; or

42 | b. The bylaws of the nongovernmental entity require member  
43 | jurisdictions and the entity to maintain the confidentiality of  
44 | information as required by the laws of the jurisdiction  
45 | providing the information.

46 | 3. The department may only become a member of a  
47 | nongovernmental entity as provided in subparagraph 1. if the  
48 | entity is controlled and operated by the participating  
49 | jurisdictions. The entity may not be operated or controlled by  
50 | the Federal Government or any other entity acting on behalf of



51 the Federal Government. The department must be able to withdraw  
52 at any time from any such membership entered into.

53 4. If the department becomes a member of a nongovernmental  
54 entity as provided in subparagraph 1., the Department of Highway  
55 Safety and Motor Vehicles must, pursuant to a written agreement  
56 with the department, provide driver license or identification  
57 card information to the department for the purpose of sharing  
58 and exchanging voter registration information with the  
59 nongovernmental entity.

60 5. If the department becomes a member of a nongovernmental  
61 entity as provided in subparagraph 1., the department must  
62 submit a report to the Governor, the President of the Senate,  
63 and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 1 of  
64 each year. The report must describe the terms of the  
65 nongovernmental entity membership and provide information on the  
66 total number of voters removed from the voter registration  
67 system as a result of the membership and the reasons for their  
68 removal.

69 Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2019.