SENATE BILL No. 51

January 27, 2009, Introduced by Senators CHERRY, SWITALSKI and JACOBS and referred to the Committee on Campaign and Election Oversight.

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled

"Michigan election law,"

by amending section 509t (MCL 168.509t), as amended by 2004 PA 92.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 509t. (1) Notwithstanding another provision of law to the
 contrary, a person who is a qualified elector in this state and who
 registers to vote in a manner consistent with the national voter
 registration act of 1993 is considered a registered voter under
 this act.

6 (2) A person who registers to vote in a jurisdiction in this
7 state by mail shall vote in person and shall provide identification
8 as required under section 303(b) of the help America vote act of
9 2002, 42 USC 15483, if that person has not previously voted in
10 person in this state. This subsection does not apply to any of the

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1 following registered voters:

2 (a) A person entitled to vote by absentee ballot under the3 uniformed and overseas citizens absentee voting act.

4 (b) A person who has WITH a disability as defined in section
5 103 of the persons with disabilities civil rights act, 1976 PA 220,
6 MCL 37.1103. , or, for purposes of voting in person only, a person
7 who is 60 years of age or older.

8 (c) A person who is entitled to vote other than in person9 under any other federal law.

10 (D) AS TO THE REQUIREMENT TO VOTE IN PERSON ONLY, ANY OTHER 11 PERSON WHO IS ENTITLED TO VOTE AS AN ABSENT VOTER AS DEFINED UNDER 12 SECTION 758.

13 (3) This section does not preclude this state from prosecuting
14 a violation of this act that is also a violation of a federal
15 election or voting rights law.

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