

HOUSE BILL No. 4539

March 10, 2009, Introduced by Reps. Liss, Haase, Switalski, Durhal, Miller, Roberts, Lisa Brown, Haugh, Slavens, Bledsoe, Gregory, Hammel, Kennedy, Spade, Lipton, Polidori, Scripps, Warren, Smith, Bauer, Donigan, Tlaib, Nathan, Cushingberry, Constan, Byrnes, Meadows, Byrum, Simpson, Barnett, Huckleberry, Ebli, Geiss, Young, Segal, Robert Jones, Leland and Bettie Scott and referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections.

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled
"Michigan election law,"
by amending section 509v (MCL 168.509v), as added by 1994 PA 441.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 509v. (1) A person who is not registered to vote at the
2 address where he or she resides may apply to register to vote by
3 submitting an application at any of the following locations:

4 (a) The office of the clerk of a county or the office of the
5 clerk of the city or township in which the applicant resides,
6 during regular office hours of that clerk.

7 (b) A department of state office.

8 (c) A designated voter registration agency when submitting an
9 application, recertification, renewal, or change of address at the

1 voter registration agency.

2 (2) A person who is not registered to vote at the address
3 where he or she resides may apply for registration by submitting a
4 completed mail registration application. A person may request a
5 mail registration application from and submit the application to
6 any of the following:

7 (a) The secretary of state.

8 (b) The clerk of the county, city, or township in which the
9 applicant resides.

10 (c) A designated voter registration agency.

11 (3) NOT LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2009, THE SECRETARY OF STATE
12 SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A SYSTEM TO ALLOW AN APPLICANT TO
13 SUBMIT A VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION ELECTRONICALLY ON THE
14 SECRETARY OF STATE'S WEBSITE.

15 (4) BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2010, A PERSON WHO IS NOT REGISTERED
16 TO VOTE AT THE ADDRESS WHERE HE OR SHE RESIDES MAY SUBMIT A VOTER
17 REGISTRATION APPLICATION ELECTRONICALLY ON THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S
18 WEBSITE.

19 (5) A PERSON WHO SUBMITS A VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION
20 ELECTRONICALLY PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) SHALL DO ALL OF THE
21 FOLLOWING:

22 (A) ATTEST TO THE TRUTH OF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THE
23 VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION BY AFFIRMATIVELY ACCEPTING THE
24 INFORMATION AS TRUE.

25 (B) AFFIRMATIVELY ASSENT TO THE USE OF HIS OR HER MOST RECENT
26 DIGITIZED SIGNATURE IF CAPTURED OR REPRODUCED BY THE SECRETARY OF
27 STATE PURSUANT TO SECTION 307 OF THE MICHIGAN VEHICLE CODE, 1949 PA

1 300, MCL 257.307, OR IF CAPTURED OR REPRODUCED BY THE SECRETARY OF
2 STATE PURSUANT TO 1972 PA 222, MCL 28.291 TO 28.300.

3 (C) SIGN THE VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION WITH AN ELECTRONIC
4 SIGNATURE. AS USED IN THIS SUBDIVISION, "ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE"
5 MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN SECTION 2 OF THE UNIFORM ELECTRONIC
6 TRANSACTIONS ACT, 2000 PA 305, 450.832.

7 (6) IF A PERSON WHO SUBMITS A VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION
8 ELECTRONICALLY DOES NOT HAVE AN OFFICIAL STATE IDENTIFICATION CARD
9 ISSUED PURSUANT TO 1972 PA 222, MCL 28.291 TO 28.300, OR AN
10 OPERATOR'S OR CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSE ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE MICHIGAN
11 VEHICLE CODE, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 TO 257.923, THE VOTER
12 REGISTRATION APPLICATION SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY BY THAT PERSON
13 SHALL BE CONSIDERED A REGISTRATION BY MAIL AND THAT PERSON SHALL
14 COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS IN SECTION 509T.

15 (7) THE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY IMPLEMENT ADDITIONAL SECURITY
16 MEASURES TO ENSURE THE ACCURACY AND INTEGRITY OF THE VOTER
17 REGISTRATIONS SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY.

18 (8) THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL PROMULGATE RULES PURSUANT TO
19 THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201
20 TO 24.328, TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTIONS (3) TO (7).

21 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
22 unless Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4540(request no.
23 01849'09) of the 95th Legislature is enacted into law.