ARIZONA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SB 1188: permanent early voting list

PRIME SPONSOR: Senator Ugenti-Rita, LD 23

BILL STATUS: Elections

Overview

Adds a condition that can cause a voter to be removed from the permanent early voter list (PEVL).

History

Any registered voter can request to be included in the PEVL and therefore will receive an early ballot by mail for any election for which the county voter registration roll is used to prepare the election register.

A voter may be removed from the PEVL if:

- 1. The voter requests in writing to be removed from the PEVL;
- 2. The voter's registration or eligibility is moved to inactive status or canceled as otherwise provided by law; or
- 3. The notice sent by the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is returned undeliverable and the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is unable to contact the voter to determine the voter's continued desire to remain on the list (A.R.S. § 16-544).

Provisions

- 1. States that a voter on the PEVL will not receive a ballot by mail and will be removed from the PEVL if the voter fails to vote in either the primary or general election for two consecutive election cycles for which there was a federal, statewide or legislative race on the ballot. (Sec. 1)
- 2. Exempts special taxing districts that are authorized to conduct their own elections and a special district mail ballot election from the types of elections that voters must vote in pursuant to this Act to remain on the PEVL. (Sec. 1)
- 3. Authorizes the county recorder to send a notice to each voter who is on the PEVL and who did not vote an early ballot in either the primary or general election for the two most recent elections for federal office by December 1 of each even numbered year. (Sec. 1)
- 4. Requires the notice to instruct the voter that if they desire to remain on the PEVL then they must:
 - a. Confirm in writing their desire to remain on the PEVL;
 - b. Return the completed notice to the county recorder or the officer in charge of elections within 30 days after the notice was sent; and
 - c. Sign the notice and include the voter's address and date of birth. (Sec. 1)
- 5. Stipulates that if the voter fails to return the notice within the 30-day period allotted then the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is required to remove the voter's name from the PEVL. (Sec. 1)
- 6. Makes technical and conforming changes. (Sec. 1)

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