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voter registration changes; text notice

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HOUSE BILL 2482

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 16-163, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO
QUALIFICATION AND REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 16-163, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 16-163. Assignment of registrations to general county
5 register; exception; notification to elector;
6 electronic storage of registration forms

7 A. The county recorder, on receipt of a registration in proper
8 form, shall assign the registration record to its proper precinct and
9 alphabetical arrangement in the general county register. The general
10 county register shall be preserved permanently to reflect the registration
11 as of each general election. After the general county register is revised
12 to reflect the valid registrations for the general election, the county
13 recorder shall provide the Arizona state library, archives and public
14 records with a copy of the revised county register.

15 B. After placing the record of registration in the county general
16 register, the county recorder shall notify the elector within thirty days
17 in writing that the elector's name appears in the general register.

18 C. If the notice that is sent is returned undeliverable, the county
19 recorder may send an additional notice as prescribed by section 16-166,
20 subsection A and that notice shall indicate that the elector must respond
21 ~~to~~ NOT later than thirty-five days after the mailing of the notice.

22 D. Images of original registration forms shall be stored
23 electronically in the voter registration database. All original
24 registration forms that are canceled, and all original applications for
25 cancellation of registration received since the preceding general
26 election, also shall be maintained in the voter registration database.
27 Computer output microfilm, listings or other electronic format media
28 containing the information from the general county register after each
29 general election shall be provided to the Arizona state library, archives
30 and public records and shall serve to fulfill the requirements of this
31 section and section 16-164, subsection A.

32 E. WHEN THE COUNTY RECORDER MAKES A CHANGE TO THE INFORMATION
33 PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 16-152 FOR AN EXISTING REGISTERED VOTER:

34 1. THE COUNTY RECORDER SHALL NOTIFY THE ELECTOR OF ANY CHANGES MADE
35 TO THE INFORMATION PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 16-152 FOR THE ELECTOR BY SENDING
36 A TEXT MESSAGE OR EMAIL ALERT WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS AFTER MAKING THE
37 CHANGE AS REQUESTED BY THE ELECTOR'S SUBSCRIPTION PREFERENCES.

38 2. IF THE ELECTOR HAS NOT SUBSCRIBED TO THE VOTER REGISTRATION
39 ALERT SYSTEM, THE COUNTY RECORDER SHALL NOTIFY THE ELECTOR IN WRITING
40 WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER THE CHANGE IN THE INFORMATION PRESCRIBED BY SECTION
41 16-152 FOR THE ELECTOR. THE NOTICE SHALL INCLUDE INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW THE
42 ELECTOR MAY CHECK THE ELECTOR'S VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS, MAKE ANY
43 REVISIONS TO THE ELECTOR'S VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION AND NOTIFY THE
44 COUNTY RECORDER IF THE ELECTOR DID NOT REQUEST OR AUTHORIZE THE CHANGE TO
45 THE INFORMATION PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 16-152 FOR THE ELECTOR'S VOTER
46 REGISTRATION.