

115TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

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To amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to limit the authority of State election officials to remove registrants from the official list of eligible voters in elections for Federal office in the State on the basis of interstate cross-checks, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 28, 2017

Mr. Pocan (for himself and Mr. Conyers) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Voter Roll Integrity
- 5 Act of 2017".

1	SEC. 2. CONDITIONS ON REMOVAL OF REGISTRANTS FROM
2	OFFICIAL LIST OF ELIGIBLE VOTERS ON
3	BASIS OF INTERSTATE CROSS-CHECKS.
4	(a) Minimum Information Required for Re-
5	MOVAL UNDER CROSS-CHECK.—Section 8(c)(2) of the
6	National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C.
7	20507(c)(2)) is amended—
8	(1) by redesignating subparagraph (B) as sub-
9	paragraph (F); and
10	(2) by inserting after subparagraph (A) the fol-
11	lowing new subparagraphs:
12	"(B) To the extent that the program carried out by
13	a State under subparagraph (A) to systematically remove
14	the names of ineligible voters from the official lists of eligi-
15	ble voters uses information obtained in an interstate cross-
16	check, the State may not remove the name of the voter
17	from such a list unless—
18	"(i) the State obtained the voter's full name
19	(including the voter's middle name, if any) and date
20	of birth, and the last 4 digits of the voter's social
21	security number, in the interstate cross-check; or
22	"(ii) the State obtained documentation from the
23	ERIC system that the voter is no longer a resident
24	of the State.
25	"(C) Prior to removing the name of a voter from the
26	official lists of eligible voters on the basis of information

- 1 obtained in an interstate cross-check, the State shall
- 2 transmit a notification to the voter that the voter is to
- 3 be removed from the list on the basis of such information,
- 4 and shall include in the notification the identification of
- 5 the State from which the information was obtained.
- 6 "(D) The State shall ensure that any personally-iden-
- 7 tifiable information relating to a voter that is obtained in
- 8 an interstate cross-check is secured and maintained in a
- 9 manner that does not permit any person other than the
- 10 appropriate State election official to determine the identity
- 11 of the voter.
- 12 "(E) In this paragraph—
- 13 "(i) the term 'interstate cross-check' means the
- transmission of information from an election official
- in one State to an election official of another State;
- 16 and
- 17 "(ii) the term 'ERIC system' means the system
- operated by the Electronic Registration Information
- 19 Center to share voter registration information and
- voter identification information among participating
- 21 States.".
- 22 (b) Requiring Completion of Cross-Checks
- 23 Not Later Than 6 Months Prior to Election.—
- 24 Subparagraph (A) of section 8(c)(2) of such Act (52)
- 25 U.S.C. 20507(c)(2)) is amended by striking "not later

- 1 than 90 days" and inserting the following: "not later than
- 2 90 days (or, in the case of a program in which the State
- 3 uses interstate cross-checks, not later than 6 months)".
- 4 (c) Conforming Amendment.—Subparagraph (F)
- 5 of section 8(c)(2) of such Act (52 U.S.C. 20507(c)(2)) is
- 6 amended by striking "Subparagraph (A)" and inserting
- 7 "This paragraph".
- 8 (d) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 9 this Act shall apply with respect to elections held on or
- 10 after the expiration of the 6-month period which begins
- 11 on the date of the enactment of this Act.

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