

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 43rd Legislature (1991)

SENATE BILL NO. 364

BY: FISHER

AS INTRODUCED

AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS; AMENDING 26 O.S 1981, SECTION 4-120.2, AS LAST AMENDED BY SECTION 8, CHAPTER 331, O.S.L. 1990 (26 O.S. SUPP. 1990, SECTION 4-120.2), WHICH RELATES TO INACTIVE VOTERS; AUTHORIZING THE SECRETARY OF EACH COUNTY ELECTION BOARD TO MAKE CERTAIN CORRECTIONS TO VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION IN OKLAHOMA ELECTION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM; PROHIBITING CORRECTIONS TO ORIGINAL REGISTRATION FORMS; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS; MODIFYING CERTAIN REQUIREMENT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 1981, Section 4-120.2, as last amended by Section 8, Chapter 331, O.S.L. 1990 (26 O.S. Supp. 1990, Section 4-120.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-120.2 No later than June 1, 1985, and every four (4) years thereafter, registered voters who have not voted in an election wherein a precinct registry is used, ~~in person~~, during the preceding four (4) years shall be designated in the Oklahoma Election Management System as inactive voters. An inactive voter may renew active status by voting in an election wherein a precinct

registry is used, in person, during four (4) calendar years following his designation as an inactive voter. If said voters fail to vote during a period of eight (8) consecutive calendar years, then the registration information of said voter shall be removed from the central registry and the Oklahoma Election Management System and destroyed. No voter registration shall be canceled for failure to vote except as herein provided.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4-115.1 of Title 26, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The secretary of each county election board is authorized to correct clerical or administrative errors in the Oklahoma Election Management System and to conform voter registration information to recognized standards, as determined by the Secretary of the State Election Board, for promotion of uniformity and consistency in address designations. No corrections shall be made to the original registration form signed by the voter except as provided by law or rule of the State Election Board.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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