

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR ENGROSSED
HOUSE BILL NO. 1088

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(Elections - Oklahoma Tax Commission - voter
registration forms - amending 26 O.S., Sections 4-105,
4-106 and 4-108 - voter registrars - codification -

effective date)

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4-111.1 of Title 26, unless
there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Beginning January 1, 1994, the Oklahoma Tax Commission and
motor license agents, as defined in Section 1102 of Title 47 of
the Oklahoma Statutes, shall provide to each qualified elector who
applies in the county of his residence for the issuance, renewal,
or correction of any type of license to operate a motor vehicle,
an opportunity to complete a voter registration form prescribed by
the Secretary of the State Election Board. The forms shall be
furnished to motor license agents by the Department of Public
Safety.

B. If the applicant wishes to complete a voter registration
form, a voter registrar shall administer the oath required by
Section 4-111 of Title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes to the

applicant, and if registration is not closed in the voter's precinct, provide the applicant with a voter identification card. Voter registration forms shall be transmitted to the county election board as prescribed by the Secretary of the State Election Board.

C. If voter registration is closed in the applicant's precinct as provided in Section 4-110 of Title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the applicant shall not be issued a voter identification card by the voter registrar but it shall be issued by the secretary of the county election board as prescribed by the Secretary of the State Election Board when registration reopens.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 1991, Section 4-105, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-105. In addition, the secretary of each county election board shall appoint as voter registrars at least one person for every one thousand registered voters in the county, as enumerated by the latest January 15 registration report; provided further, however, that the total number of appointed voter registrars in any county need not exceed one hundred. All motor license agents and their employees shall be designated registrars. The secretary of each county election board, or his designated qualified voting registrar, may visit each high school in his or her county, with concurrence of the school board of each school district, one time during the second semester of each school year, for the purpose of registering all eligible students who wish to register. All political parties in the county must be represented among ~~the~~ appointed voter registrars. Said voter registrars shall be located in such a manner geographically as to provide convenient access for all qualified electors of the county. The secretary shall have the authority to remove any voter registrar, including any motor license agent or employee acting as a voter registrar, at any time for any reason. To be eligible to become a voter registrar, one must be a registered voter of the county, and must demonstrate competence to perform his duties. Voter registrars shall be trained in their duties in a manner prescribed by the Secretary of the State Election Board.

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 1991, Section 4-106, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-106. Each voter registrar, except employees of motor license agents acting as voter registrars, shall receive as sole compensation for his services seventy-five cents (\$0.75) per registration, transfer or change of political affiliation transacted by said voter registrar, payable from county funds. Motor license agents shall receive seventy-five cents (\$0.75) per valid registration transaction performed by themselves and employees of the motor license agent's office. Said compensation may be waived if the voter registrar is a regular employee of a municipality, motor license agent, school district or other governmental subdivision who conducts registration transactions during the hours of his regular employment. A waiver may be granted only upon execution of a written request for same from the voter registrar to the secretary of the county election board.

SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 1991, Section 4-108, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-108. Voter registrars, including motor license agents and their employees acting as voter registrars, shall be available for registration, transfers or changes of political affiliation for a minimum of three (3) continuous hours per day, during the time prescribed by law for making such transactions, such hours to be determined by the secretary of the county election board.

SECTION 5. This act shall become effective September 1, 1993.

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