

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 1586

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to elections; amending 26 O.S. 2001,  
8 Section 4-112, as last amended by Section 5, Chapter  
9 545, O.S.L. 2004 (26 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 4-112),  
10 which relates to voter registration; requiring  
11 certain persons to provide proof of residency; and  
12 providing an effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2001, Section 4-112, as  
15 last amended by Section 5, Chapter 545, O.S.L. 2004 (26 O.S. Supp.  
16 2008, Section 4-112), is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 4-112. A. The Secretary of the State Election Board  
18 shall devise and distribute a registration application form to be  
19 used for registering voters. Such registration application shall  
20 contain the following information: applicant's full name and date  
21 of birth, county and place of residence, and mailing address  
22 pursuant to the provisions of subsection B of this section; the  
23 names of political parties recognized by the laws of the State of  
24 Oklahoma with which the applicant may be affiliated; the Oklahoma

1 driver license or identification card number if the applicant has  
2 been issued a current and valid driver license or identification  
3 card by the Department of Public Safety, or if the applicant does  
4 not have a valid Oklahoma driver license or identification card, the  
5 last four digits of the voter's social security number; an oath of  
6 the eligibility of the applicant to become a registered voter; and  
7 such other information as may be deemed necessary by the Secretary  
8 to identify such applicant and to ascertain his or her eligibility.  
9 A voter registration application shall be signed by the applicant in  
10 writing. The applicant shall personally subscribe his or her name  
11 to or make his or her mark on the application, and no agent,  
12 representative or employee of the applicant may sign or mark on the  
13 applicant's behalf. The signature or mark must be the original,  
14 handwritten signature, autograph or mark of the applicant. No  
15 facsimile, reproduction, typewritten or other substitute signature,  
16 autograph or mark will be valid. Notwithstanding any law to the  
17 contrary, the Secretary of the State Election Board shall prescribe  
18 procedures to authorize any person incapable of personally making a  
19 mark to complete a voter registration application with assistance of  
20 an official of any voter registration agency or motor license agency  
21 specified in Sections 4-109.2 and 4-109.3 of this title. Persons  
22 who do not indicate a recognized political party or political  
23 organization on their registration application shall be designated  
24 as Independents. Any person may apply in writing to the Secretary

1 of the State Election Board for permission to print, copy or  
2 otherwise prepare and distribute the registration applications  
3 designed by the Secretary of the State Election Board. The  
4 Secretary may revoke any such permission at any time. All  
5 registration applications shall be distributed to the public at no  
6 charge. The Secretary also shall prescribe procedures to accept and  
7 use federal registration applications as required by the National  
8 Voter Registration Act of 1993.

9 B. Applicants for voter registration or for change of voter  
10 registration in any way shall provide a proof of residence address  
11 ~~and, if different from the residence address, a mailing address by~~  
12 submitting a copy of a current utility bill or bank statement that  
13 lists the residence address of the applicant. A residence address  
14 shall include the street address of the residence, including a full  
15 house number, street name or number, apartment or suite number, if  
16 applicable, and zip code. If a street address is not available for  
17 the residence, applicants shall provide such information as the  
18 State Election Board deems necessary for voter registration  
19 purposes. A post office box may not be given as a residence  
20 address. A mailing address, which shall include the city and zip  
21 code, may be the actual emergency notification or 911 address on  
22 file in the local community, a rural route and box number, a post  
23 office box number or a street address.

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1 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

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