

General Assembly

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## Raised Bill No. 7392

LCO No. **6393** 

Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by: (GAE)

## AN ACT CONCERNING VOTER PRIVACY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2019) (a) Notwithstanding any 2 provision of the general statutes, the Secretary of the State or a 3 registrar of voters, as applicable, shall not disclose voter registration 4 information maintained under title 9 of the general statutes, except that 5 the Secretary or a registrar of voters shall provide a copy of any record 6 containing voter registration information upon the request of any 7 candidate, candidate committee or political committee. As used in this 8 section, "candidate", "candidate committee" and "political committee" 9 have the same meanings as provided in section 9-601 of the general 10 statutes.

(b) Prior to providing any copy of a record containing voter registration information pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, the Secretary or a registrar of voters, as applicable, shall (1) redact such copy to remove for each voter listed thereon (A) the date of birth, (B) the motor vehicle operator's license or identity card number, if any, (C) the Social Security number, and (D) the signature, and (2) ensure that such copy includes for each voter listed thereon (A) the name, (B) the residential and mailing address, if different, (C) the phone number, if any, and (D) the party affiliation, if any.

20 (c) Prior to receiving any copy of a record containing voter 21 registration information provided pursuant to subsection (a) of this 22 section, such candidate, candidate committee or political committee, as 23 applicable, shall file with the Secretary of the State, in a manner 24 prescribed by the Secretary, a statement (1) identifying the candidate 25 or committee requesting such voter registration information, (2) 26 indicating the purpose for which such candidate or committee is 27 requesting such voter registration information, and (3) agreeing to not 28 further disclose any such voter registration.

(d) Voter registration information disclosed pursuant to subsection
(a) of this section shall not be used for any commercial purpose,
including, but not limited to, the advertisement, solicitation, sale or
marketing of products or services to any voter or voter's household.

| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following |                 |             |
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| sections:   |                 |             |
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| Section 1   | October 1, 2019 | New section |

## Statement of Purpose:

To limit disclosure of certain voter registration information to candidates, candidate committees and political committees only and for noncommercial purposes only, and require that any such candidate or committee register with the Secretary of the State and agree to not further disclose any such voter registration information.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]