HOUSE BILL NO. 681

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE WIEMANN.

AN ACT

To repeal section 115.157, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the
computerization of voter information.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 115.157, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu
2 thereof, to be known as section 115.157, to read as follows:

115.157. 1. The election authority may place all information on any registration cards
2 in computerized form in accordance with section 115.158. No election authority or secretary of
3 state shall furnish to any member of the public electronic media or printout showing any
4 registration information, except as provided in this section. Except as provided in subsection 2
5 of this section, the election authority or secretary of state shall make available electronic media
6 or printouts showing unique voter identification numbers, voters' names, dates of birth,
7 addresses, townships or wards, and precincts. Electronic data shall be maintained in at least the
8 following separate fields:
9   (1) Voter identification number;
10   (2) First name;
11   (3) Middle initial;
12   (4) Last name;
13   (5) Suffix;
14   (6) Street number;
15   (7) Street direction;
16   (8) Street name;
17   (9) Street suffix;

EXPLANATION —   Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended
to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18   (10) Apartment number;

19   (11) City;

20   (12) State;

21   (13) Zip code;

22   (14) Township;

23   (15) Ward;

24   (16) Precinct;

25   (17) Senatorial district;

26   (18) Representative district;

27   (19) Congressional district[,]**;**

28   **(20) School district;**

29   **(21) Fire district;**

30   **(22) Sewer district;**

31   **(23) Water district; and**

32   **(24) County Council district (if applicable).**

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34   All election authorities shall enter voter history in their computerized registration systems and

35   shall, not more than six months after the election, forward such data to the Missouri voter

36   registration system established in section 115.158. In addition, election authorities shall forward

37   registration and other data in a manner prescribed by the secretary of state to comply with the

38   Help America Vote Act of 2002. Except as provided in subsection 2 of this section, the election

39   authority shall also furnish, for a fee, electronic media or a printout showing the names, dates of

40   birth and addresses of voters, or any part thereof, within the jurisdiction of the election authority

41   who voted in any specific election, including primary elections, by township, ward or precinct,

42   **school district, fire district, sewer district, water district, and county council district (if**

43   **applicable);** provided that**,** nothing in this chapter shall require such voter information to be

44   released to the public over the internet. The amount of fees charged for information provided

45   in this section shall be established pursuant to chapter 610. All revenues collected by the

46   secretary of state pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to

47   the secretary of state's technology trust fund account established pursuant to section 28.160. In

48   even-numbered years, each election authority shall, upon request, supply the voter registration

49   list for its jurisdiction to all candidates and party committees for a charge established pursuant

50   to chapter 610. Except as provided in subsection 2 of this section, all election authorities shall

51   make the information described in this section available pursuant to chapter 610. Any election

52   authority who fails to comply with the requirements of this section shall be subject to the

53   provisions of chapter 610.

54   2.   Any person working as an undercover officer of a local, state or federal law
55   enforcement agency, persons in witness protection programs, and victims of domestic violence
56   and abuse who have received orders of protection pursuant to chapter 455 shall be entitled to
57   apply to the circuit court having jurisdiction in his or her county of residence to have the
58   residential address on his or her voter registration records closed to the public if the release of
59   such information could endanger the safety of the person. Any person working as an undercover
60   agent or in a witness protection program shall also submit a statement from the chief executive
61   officer of the agency under whose direction he or she is serving.   The petition to close the
62   residential address shall be incorporated into any petition for protective order provided by circuit
63   clerks pursuant to chapter 455.   If satisfied that the person filing the petition meets the
64   qualifications of this subsection, the circuit court shall issue an order to the election authority to
65   keep the residential address of the voter a closed record and the address may be used only for the
66   purposes of administering elections pursuant to this chapter. The election authority may require
67   the voter who has a closed residential address record to verify that his or her residential address
68   has not changed or to file a change of address and to affirm that the reasons contained in the
69   original petition are still accurate prior to receiving a ballot. A change of address within an
70   election authority's jurisdiction shall not require that the voter file a new petition. Any voter who
71   no longer qualifies pursuant to this subsection to have his or her residential address as a closed
72   record shall notify the circuit court. Upon such notification, the circuit court shall void the order
73   closing the residential address and so notify the election authority.

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