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HOUSE BILL NO. 441

Offered January 17, 1996

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 24.2-405, 24.2-406 and 24.2-418 of the Code of Virginia, relating to lists of registered voters and persons voting.

Patrons—Connally, Almand, Darner, Keating and Van Landingham; Senators: Howell, Ticer and Whipple

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §24.2-405, 24.2-406 and 24.2-418 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 24.2-405. Persons who may obtain lists of registered voters.

The State Board shall furnish, at a reasonable price, lists of registered voters for their districts to (i) courts of the Commonwealth and the United States for jury selection purposes, (ii) candidates for election or political party nomination to further their candidacy, (iii) political party committees or officials thereof for political purposes only, (iv) incumbent officeholders to report to their constituents, and (v) nonprofit organizations which promote voter participation and registration for that purpose only. The lists shall be furnished to no one else and used for no other purpose, except that the State Board is authorized to furnish information from the voter registration system to general registrars for their official use.

In no event shall any list furnished under this section contain the social security number of any registered voter except a list furnished to a court of the Commonwealth or of the United States for jury selection purposes.

Any list furnished under this section shall contain the post office box address in lieu of the residence street address for any active or retired law-enforcement officer, as defined in § 9-169 and in 5 U.S.C.A. § 8331 (20) but excluding officers whose duties relate to detention as defined in paragraphs (A) through (D) of § 8331 (20), who has furnished at the time of registration or subsequently, in addition to his street address, a post office box address for his residence for use on such lists.

Any printed precinct list furnished under this section shall contain the post office box address in lieu of the residence street address for any party granted a protective order as described in §16.1-253.1, §16.1-253.4, §16.1-279.1, and §18.2-60.3, who has furnished at the time of registration or subsequently, in addition to his street address, a post office box address for his residence for use on such lists.

§ 24.2-406. Persons who may obtain lists of persons voting at primaries and elections.

The State Board shall furnish to candidates, elected officials, or political party chairmen and to no one else, on request and at a reasonable price, lists for their districts of persons who voted at any primary or general election held in the two preceding years. Such lists shall be used only for campaign and political purposes and for reporting to constituents.

In no event shall any list furnished under this section contain the social security number of any registered voter.

Any list furnished under this section shall contain the post office box address in lieu of the residence street address for any active or retired law-enforcement officer, as defined in § 9-169 and in 5 U.S.C.A. § 8331 (20) but excluding officers whose duties relate to detention as defined in paragraphs (A) through (D) of § 8331 (20), who has furnished at the time of registration or subsequently, in addition to his street address, a post office box address for his residence for use on such lists.

Any printed precinct list furnished under this section shall contain the post office box address in lieu of the residence street address for any party granted a protective order as described in §16.1-253.1, §16.1-253.4, §16.1-279.1, and §18.2-60.3, who has furnished at the time of registration or subsequently, in addition to his street address, a post office box address for his residence for use on such lists.

§ 24.2-418. Application for registration.

Each applicant to register shall provide, subject to felony penalties for making false statements pursuant to § 24.2-1016, the information necessary to complete the application to register. Unless physically disabled, he shall sign the application. The application to register shall be only on a form or forms prescribed by the State Board.

The form of the application to register shall require the applicant to provide the following information: full name, including the maiden name and any other prior legal name; age; gender; date and place of birth; social security number, if any; whether the applicant is presently a United States citizen; address and place of abode and date of residence in the precinct; place of any previous

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60 registrations to vote; and whether the applicant has ever been adjudicated to be mentally incompetent or
61 convicted of a felony, and if so, under what circumstances the applicant's right to vote has been
62 restored.

63 The form shall permit any active or retired law-enforcement officer, as defined in § 9-169 and in 5
64 U.S.C.A. § 8331 (20) but excluding officers whose duties relate to detention as defined in paragraphs
65 (A) through (D) of § 8331 (20), to furnish, in addition to his residence street address, a post office box
66 address for his residence to be included in lieu of his street address on the lists of registered voters and
67 persons who voted which are furnished pursuant to §§ 24.2-405 and 24.2-406.

68 *The form shall permit any party granted a protective order as described in §16.1-253.1 §16.1-253.4*
69 *§16.1-279.1 and §18.2-60.3 to furnish, in addition to his street address, a post office box address for his*
70 *residence to be included in lieu of his street address on the lists of registered voters and persons who*
71 *voted which are furnished pursuant to §§24.2-405 and 24.2-406.*