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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. SKOUFIS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Elections

AN ACT to amend the election law and the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to joining multistate voter list maintenance organizations

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Legislative findings and intent. As the official record of
2 all eligible voters in a state, a state's voter registration rolls are
3 the foundation of free, fair, and accurate elections. Illegal voting is
4 exceedingly rare but maintaining accurate voter rolls reduces the oppor-
5 tunity for such behavior and it helps build confidence in election
6 outcomes. However, keeping voter rolls up to date is a challenge
7 because, every day, voters move or die. Voters do not always remember to
8 update their registration when they move. These challenges are especial-
9 ly acute in states with large and highly mobile populations. Partic-
10 ipation in a multistate voter list maintenance organization can improve
11 the accuracy of New York's voter registration rolls. A multistate voter
12 list maintenance organization is a coordinating entity between states
13 that aids them in identifying voters who may no longer be eligible to
14 vote, who have moved, or who have died. A voter list maintenance organ-
15 ization may also offer other information useful to improving voter
16 registration or enhancing the integrity of election administration.

17 § 2. Article 5 of the election law is amended by adding a new title
18 to read as follows:

TITLE X

20 MULTISTATE VOTER LIST MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP AUTHORIZATION
21 Section 5-1000. Joining a multistate voter list maintenance organiza-
22 tion.

23 5-1001. Designating a member representative.

24 5-1002. Authorization to share registration records with multi-
25 state voter list maintenance organization.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 nance organization shall require an affirmative vote of the state board
2 of elections commissioners pursuant to subdivision four of section 3-100
3 of this chapter.

4 § 3. The vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new section
5 219-a to read as follows:

6 § 219-a. State membership in a multistate voter list maintenance
7 organization. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
8 contrary, the commissioner is authorized to provide to the state's
9 representative to a multistate voter list maintenance organization,
10 designated under section 5-1001 of the election law, the following
11 information: (a) all name fields; (b) all address fields; (c) DMV ID
12 number; (d) last four digits of the DMV ID holder's social security
13 number; (e) date of birth; (f) current record status; (g) phone number;
14 and (h) email address, provided that the conditions and terms of member-
15 ship are consistent with the provisions of this chapter and title ten of
16 article five of the election law pertaining to such membership or recip-
17 rocal recognition of vehicle registrations.

18 2. The commissioner shall not knowingly provide any information pursu-
19 ant to this section of persons who are not citizens.

20 § 4. New York state shall join a multistate voter list maintenance
21 organization promptly after the effective date of this act and shall
22 complete its registration with a multistate voter list maintenance
23 organization on or before July 31, 2026.

24 § 5. This act shall take effect immediately.