



The Weekly Update

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HB 3456-Voter Protection

This week the House of Representatives and the Senate voted overwhelmingly for new legislation designed to protect registered voters in Tennessee from having their registration revoked.

House Bill 3456 limits the ability of election administrators to purge voters. This bill clarifies that purging of voters is not allowed once certified except in cases of death, fraud or a change in residency outside the district. This bill came about as a result of complaints originating in Benton County but will benefit voters state-wide.

The bill further requires that at least quarterly at a regularly scheduled county election commission meeting, every new voter registration form which has been filed since the last regularly scheduled meeting of that commission shall be inspected by a county election commission member of the majority party and the minority party. Any deficiencies found shall be recorded and a written report of such shall be filed with the State Coordinator of Elections.

HB 3780-Duration of Driver License

House Bill 3780 is scheduled to be heard in the House Finance Committee next week. This bill would increase the duration of driver licenses from five years to eight years. Of course, the renewal fee would go up but you would get three more years before you would need to renew.

HB 2822- Call Centers

House Bill 2822 will be heard in the House Budget Subcommittee next week. Current law requires a "preference" for call center vendors whose services will be solely provided by citizens of the United States or persons authorized to work in the United States by federal law.

This bill would prohibit the state, the legislative body of any county, the governing body of a municipality and any of their departments or agencies from entering into a contract with a vendor who uses, or plans to use services in a foreign country for any services generally performed by or at a call center.

Please let me know if I may assist you in any way.

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