

HB1048/153327/1

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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1048  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, after “**Law –**” insert “**Inactive Voter and**”; in the same line, strike “**List**” and substitute “**Lists**”; in line 3, after “of” insert “altering the circumstances under which a voter’s name is required to be placed into inactive status; requiring the State Board of Elections to notify a certain voter that the voter will be placed into inactive status at least a certain number of days before the voter is placed into inactive status; requiring the State Board to notify a voter of steps the voter can take under certain circumstances”; in line 4, strike “of Elections”; and in line 29, after “to” insert “the inactive voter list and”.

On page 2, in line 2, after “Section” insert “3-503 and”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 12, insert:

3-503.

(a) **(1) [If] A VOTER’S NAME SHALL BE PLACED INTO INACTIVE STATUS ON THE STATEWIDE VOTER REGISTRATION LIST, IF:**

**(I) THE VOTER DOES NOT VOTE DURING THE 2022 GENERAL ELECTION;**

**(II) [a] THE voter fails to respond to a confirmation notice [under § 3-502(c) of this subtitle,] SUBMITTED TO THE VOTER BY THE STATE BOARD; AND**

(Over)

(III) THE VOTER DOES NOT VOTE IN THE 2024 AND 2026 GENERAL ELECTION [the voter's name shall be placed into inactive status on the statewide voter registration list].

(2) AT LEAST 90 DAYS BEFORE PLACING A VOTER'S NAME INTO INACTIVE STATUS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE STATE BOARD SHALL NOTIFY THE VOTER:

(I) THAT THE VOTER WILL BE PLACED INTO INACTIVE STATUS BY A DATE TO BE DETERMINED BY THE STATE BOARD; AND

(II) OF STEPS THE VOTER CAN TAKE TO REMAIN ON THE ACTIVE VOTER LIST.

(b) A voter shall be restored to active status on the statewide voter registration list after completing and signing any of the following election documents:

(1) a voter registration application;

(2) a petition governed by Title 6 of this article;

(3) a certificate of candidacy;

(4) an absentee ballot application; or

(5) a written affirmation of residence completed on election day to entitle the voter to vote either at the election district or precinct for the voter's current residence or the voter's previous residence, as determined by the State Board.

(c) An inactive voter who fails to vote in an election in the period ending with the second general election shall be removed from the statewide voter registration list.

(d) Registrants placed into inactive status may not be counted for official administrative purposes including establishing precincts and reporting official statistics.”.