

## NOTICE OF RULEMAKING INTENT (NRI)

### TITLE 230. STATE ELECTION BOARD CHAPTER 15. VOTER REGISTRATION

#### **RULEMAKING ACTION:**

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

#### **PROPOSED RULES:**

Subchapter 3. Voter Outreach

Part 3. Distribution of Voter Registration Application Forms

230:15-3-23. Voter registration application forms available to individuals [AMENDED]

230:15-3-24. Voter registration application forms available in quantity for organized voter registration programs [AMENDED]

230:15-3-26. Requests for more than ~~4,000~~500 Oklahoma Voter Registration Application forms [AMENDED]

Subchapter 5. Applications for Voter Registration

Part 21. Voter Registration Application by Mail

230:15-5-84. Information required on voter registration application [AMENDED]

Subchapter 11. Voter Registration List Maintenance

Part 1. Cancellation of Voter Registration

230:15-11-4. Processing cancellations of registration [AMENDED]

Part 3. Voter Registration Address Confirmation

230:15-11-19. Voter registration address confirmation mailing [AMENDED]

230:15-11-27. Reinstatement of inactive voters [AMENDED]

230:15-11-29. Identification and notification of voters who may have changed addresses of residence [AMENDED]

#### **SUMMARY:**

Amendments to 230:15-3-23 would allow the possibility of a public library collecting voter registrations as a part of a voter registration drive. Amendments to 230:15-3-24 and 230:15-3-26 simply reduce the number of copies of the Oklahoma Voter Registration Applications that will be provided and the threshold by which someone must request permission to print the forms.

Proposed amendments to subchapter 5 are intended to close a possible loophole that might allow a voter that was designated Independent by county election board personnel under 26 O.S. Section 4-112 to come back and declare a political affiliation anytime, even during the time period in even-numbered years when changes to political affiliation are prohibited under 26 O.S. Section 4-119. This was also inconsistent with another rule found in 230:15-9-22.

Proposed amendments to subchapter 11 are necessary changes pursuant to HB 3365 from the 2022 legislative session which amended 26 O.S. Section 4-120 (what notice is required for the cancellation of voter registration) and Sections 4-120.2 and 7-115.1 (amending what voters must receive and complete an address confirmation form).

#### **AUTHORITY:**

Rulemaking authority is granted by Title 26 O.S., Section 2-107, to the Secretary of the State Election Board.

#### **COMMENT PERIOD:**

Persons may submit written comments through March 31, 2023 to Rachel Rogers at:

Mailing Address: State Election Board, P. O. Box 53156, Oklahoma City, OK 73152.

Email: [rachel.rogers@elections.ok.gov](mailto:rachel.rogers@elections.ok.gov). Physical Address: Room G28, State Capitol Building, 2300 N. Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

A public hearing has not been scheduled; however, pursuant to 75 O.S., Section 303(B)(9), "persons may demand a hearing" by writing Rachel Rogers at State Election Board, P. O. Box 53156, Oklahoma City, OK 73152 or by email at [rachel.rogers@elections.ok.gov](mailto:rachel.rogers@elections.ok.gov) and received no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 31, 2023.

**REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:**

N/A

**COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:**

Copies of the proposed amendments are available in the office of the State Election Board, Room G28, State Capitol Building, Oklahoma City, and on the State Election Board website.

**RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Pursuant to 75 O.S., §303(D), a rule impact statement is being prepared and will be available for review no later than March 15, 2023 at the above addresses.

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

N/A