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

#### **RULEMAKING ACTION:**

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

## **PROPOSED RULES:**

Subchapter 3. Voter Outreach

Part 1. Responsibilities for Voter Outreach

230:15-3-1. Responsibility for voter outreach [AMENDED]

Subchapter 5. Application for Voter Registration

Part 1. Qualifications for Registration

230:15-5-1. Persons eligible to register to vote [AMENDED]

230:15-5-3. Felons ineligible to register to vote [AMENDED]

230:15-5-4. Exceptions for felony convictions [AMENDED]

Part 27. Online Voter Registration Application Services

230:15-5-140. Online submission of applications for voter registration authorized [AMENDED]

Subchapter 9. Receiving and Processing Voter Registration Applications

Part 1. Responsibilities of the State Election Board for Voter Registration

230:15-9-6. Notification of new voter registration to prior state [NEW]

Part 5. Processing Voter Registration Applications

230:15-9-18.1. Assigning voter registration addresses in the Street Guide [AMENDED]

230:15-9-20. Processing applications for name change [AMENDED]

230:15-9-21. Processing applications for change of residence address or mailing address [AMENDED]

230:15-9-22. Processing applications for change of political affiliation [AMENDED]

230:15-9-23. Processing duplicate application for voter registration [AMENDED]

230:15-9-25. Processing applications for restricted records status [AMENDED]

Part 7. Acknowledgment of Voter Registration Applications

230:15-9-30. Processing voter identification cards returned undelivered by post office [AMENDED]

Subchapter 11. Voter Registration List Maintenance

Part 1. Cancellation of Voter Registration

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

230:15-11-8. Cancellation for felony conviction [AMENDED]

#### **SUMMARY:**

Many of the proposed amendments in Chapter 15 are part of an ongoing effort to update the title due to the implementation of online voter registration. Proposed amendments in Part 1 of Subchapter 5 were necessary to conform the language with state statute. The State Election Board

is proposing a new rule in Subchapter 9. This would allow the agency to provide notice to a voter's previous state of residence when the voter submits a new Oklahoma Voter Registration Application indicating such previous residence information. The updates in Part 1 of Subchapter 11 relate to new legislation from 2023 (Senate Bill 377), which added additional reasons for canceling a voter's registration, such as when the court clerk excuses a registered voter from jury duty for being a non-citizen.

# **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 February 15, 2024 to Rachel Rogers at: Mailing Address: State Election Board, P. O. Box 53156, Oklahoma City, OK 73152. Email: <a href="mailto:rachel.rogers@elections.ok.gov">rachel.rogers@elections.ok.gov</a>. 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 <a href="mailto:rachel.rogers@elections.ok.gov">rachel.rogers@elections.ok.gov</a> and received no later than 5:00 p.m. on February 15, 2024.

# 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 January 31, 2024 at the above addresses.

#### **CONTACT PERSON:**

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#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

N/A