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# H. R. 639

To require States to submit annual reports on voter registration to the Election Assistance Commission.

### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 1, 2021

Mr. Brown introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

## A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Voter Registration Re-
- 5 porting Act of 2021".
- 6 SEC. 2. ANNUAL REPORTS ON VOTER REGISTRATION STA-
- 7 TISTICS.
- 8 (a) Annual Report.—Not later than 90 days after
- 9 the end of each year, each State shall submit to the Elec-
- 10 tion Assistance Commission and Congress a report con-

- 1 taining the following categories of information for the 2 year:
- 3 (1) The number of individuals who were reg-4 istered by automatic registration.
  - (2) The number of voter registration application forms completed by individuals that were transmitted by motor vehicle authorities in the State (pursuant to section 5(d) of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993) and voter registration agencies in the State (as designated under section 7 of such Act) to the chief State election official of the State, broken down by each such authority and agency.
    - (3) The number of such individuals whose voter registration application forms were accepted and who were registered to vote in the State and the number of such individuals whose forms were rejected and who were not registered to vote in the State, broken down by each such authority and agency.
    - (4) The number of change of address forms and other forms of information indicating that an individual's identifying information has been changed that were transmitted by such motor vehicle authorities and voter registration agencies to the chief State

- election official of the State, broken down by each such authority and agency and the type of form transmitted.
  - (5) The number of individuals on the statewide computerized voter registration list (as established and maintained under section 303 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002) whose voter registration information was revised by the chief State election official as a result of the forms transmitted to the official by such motor vehicle authorities and voter registration agencies (as described in paragraph (3)), broken down by each such authority and agency and the type of form transmitted.
    - (6) The number of individuals who requested the chief State election official to revise voter registration information on such list, and the number of individuals whose information was revised as a result of such a request.
- 19 (b) Breakdown of Information.—In preparing 20 the report under this section, the State shall, for each cat-21 egory of information described in subsection (a), include 22 a breakdown by race, ethnicity, age, and gender of the 23 individuals whose information is included in the category, 24 to the extent that information on the race, ethnicity, age, 25 and gender of such individuals is available to the State.

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- 1 (c) Confidentiality of Information.—In pre-
- 2 paring and submitting a report under this section, the
- 3 chief State election official shall ensure that no informa-
- 4 tion regarding the identification of any individual is re-
- 5 vealed.

#### 6 (d) Definitions.—

- (1) Automatic voter registration.—In this section, the term "automatic registration" means a system that registers an individual to vote in elections for Federal office in a State, if eligible, by electronically transferring the information necessary for registration from government agencies to election officials of the State so that, unless the individual affirmatively declines to be registered, the individual will be registered to vote in such elections.
  - (2) STATE.—In this section, the term "State" includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, but does not include any State in which, under a State law in effect continuously on and after the date of the enactment of this Act, there is no voter registration

- 1 requirement for individuals in the State with respect
- 2 to elections for Federal office.

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