

House Bill 688

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 1 of Article 11 of Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia
2 Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to the preparation for and conduct of
3 primaries and elections, so as to provide that any person who provides a driver's license or
4 identification card issued by the Department of Public Safety showing him or her to be a
5 registered voter residing within a precinct shall be permitted to vote even if not listed in the
6 certified electors list; to provide that each such person's name and other information shall be
7 forwarded to the Secretary of State; to provide that the appropriate district attorney shall be
8 notified of any violations; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code
9 of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to drivers' licenses, so as to
10 provide that the driver's license or identification card of any person showing proof of voter
11 registration shall be so noted; to provide for the return of any such license or card if the
12 person becomes ineligible to vote; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

13 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

14 **SECTION 1.**

15 Part 1 of Article 11 of Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
16 relating to general provisions relative to the preparation for and conduct of primaries and
17 elections, is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following:

18 "21-2-418.

19 Any person who presents a driver's license or identification card issued by the Department
20 of Public Safety which shows that such person is a registered voter and which shows such
21 person's address as being within the boundaries of the voting precinct shall be permitted
22 to vote even if his or her name does not appear on the certified electors list for the precinct.

23 The precinct manager shall keep a record of the name, address, date of birth, and social
24 security number of each person whose name does not appear on the certified electors list
25 but who is permitted to vote and shall forward such record to the superintendent. The
26 superintendent shall forward a complete list of all such persons to the Secretary of State

1 who shall ensure that such person voted only once. If any person is found to have voted
2 more than once or to have violated any other provision of this chapter, the Secretary of
3 State shall notify the district attorney in each county in which the person voted for felony
4 prosecution in accordance with the provisions of Article 15 of this chapter."

5 **SECTION 2.**

6 Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
7 general provisions relative to drivers' licenses, is amended by inserting at the end thereof the
8 following:

9 "40-5-7.

10 (a) Whenever any person applies for or requests the issuance, reissuance, or renewal of any
11 class of driver's license or identification card, or if such person elects to register to vote as
12 provided in Code Section 21-2-221, a notation shall be made on the driver's license or
13 identification card that such person is a registered voter.

14 (b) If any person holding a driver's license showing him or her as a registered voter
15 becomes ineligible to vote in this state for any reason, he or she shall as soon as practicable
16 return the license or card to the department, and the department shall reissue the license or
17 card in the same manner as for a lost driver's license or identification card."

18 **SECTION 3.**

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.