

# HOUSE BILL No. 5337

October 23, 2007, Introduced by Rep. David Law and referred to the Committee on Oversight and Investigations.

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending section 509q (MCL 168.509q), as amended by 2005 PA 71, and by adding section 496a.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           SEC. 496A. (1) VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS SHALL CONTAIN A  
2           STATEMENT REQUIRING AN APPLICANT TO SUBMIT SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE OF  
3           UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP WITH HIS OR HER APPLICATION AND STATING  
4           THAT THE APPLICATION SHALL BE REJECTED IF SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE OF  
5           UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP IS NOT PROVIDED.

6           (2) A PERSON PROCESSING VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS AT A  
7           DEPARTMENT OF STATE OFFICE, A DESIGNATED VOTER REGISTRATION AGENCY,  
8           OR A COUNTY, CITY, TOWNSHIP, OR VILLAGE CLERK'S OFFICE SHALL REJECT

1 A VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION THAT IS NOT ACCOMPANIED BY  
2 SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP. SATISFACTORY  
3 EVIDENCE OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP INCLUDES ANY OF THE  
4 FOLLOWING:

5 (A) THE APPLICANT'S DRIVER LICENSE NUMBER OR PERSONAL  
6 IDENTIFICATION CARD NUMBER ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE OR THE  
7 EQUIVALENT DEPARTMENT OF ANOTHER STATE IF THAT DEPARTMENT INDICATES  
8 ON THE APPLICANT'S DRIVER LICENSE OR PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION CARD  
9 THAT THE PERSON HAS PROVIDED SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE OF UNITED STATES  
10 CITIZENSHIP.

11 (B) A LEGIBLE PHOTOCOPY OF THE APPLICANT'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE  
12 THAT VERIFIES UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE  
13 PERSON PROCESSING THE VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION.

14 (C) THE APPLICANT'S UNITED STATES PASSPORT.

15 (D) A LEGIBLE PHOTOCOPY OF THE PERTINENT PAGES OF THE  
16 APPLICANT'S UNITED STATES PASSPORT IDENTIFYING THE APPLICANT AND  
17 THE APPLICANT'S PASSPORT NUMBER.

18 (E) THE APPLICANT'S UNITED STATES NATURALIZATION DOCUMENTS OR  
19 THE NUMBER OF THE CERTIFICATE OF NATURALIZATION. IF ONLY THE NUMBER  
20 OF THE CERTIFICATE OF NATURALIZATION IS PROVIDED, THE APPLICANT  
21 SHALL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE REGISTRATION ROLLS AND QUALIFIED VOTER  
22 FILE UNTIL THE PERSON PROCESSING THE APPLICATION VERIFIES THE  
23 NUMBER OF THE CERTIFICATE OF NATURALIZATION WITH THE UNITED STATES  
24 IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE.

25 (F) OTHER DOCUMENTS OR METHODS OF PROOF THAT ARE USED TO  
26 ESTABLISH UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP PURSUANT TO THE IMMIGRATION  
27 REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986, PUBLIC LAW 99-603, 100 STAT. 3359.

1 (G) THE APPLICANT'S BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CARD NUMBER,  
2 TRIBAL TREATY CARD NUMBER, OR TRIBAL ENROLLMENT NUMBER.

3 (3) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, PROOF OF VOTER REGISTRATION  
4 FROM ANOTHER STATE IS NOT SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE OF UNITED STATES  
5 CITIZENSHIP.

6 (4) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (2), A PERSON WHO IS REGISTERED  
7 TO VOTE IN THIS STATE ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT  
8 THAT ADDED THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT EVIDENCE OF  
9 UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP UNLESS THE PERSON MOVES HIS OR HER  
10 RESIDENCE TO ANOTHER CITY, TOWNSHIP, OR VILLAGE.

11 (5) AFTER A PERSON SUBMITS SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE OF  
12 CITIZENSHIP, THE CITY, TOWNSHIP, OR VILLAGE CLERK SHALL ADD THIS  
13 INFORMATION TO THE QUALIFIED VOTER FILE. THE CITY, TOWNSHIP, OR  
14 VILLAGE CLERK MAY DESTROY ALL DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED AS EVIDENCE OF  
15 UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP NOT LESS THAN 2 YEARS AFTER THE DATE OF  
16 SUBMISSION.

17 Sec. 509q. The qualified voter file shall contain all of the  
18 following information for each qualified voter:

19 (a) The name; residence address including house number and  
20 street name or rural route and box number, and the apartment  
21 number, if any; city; state; zip code; and date of birth.

22 (b) The driver's license number or state personal  
23 identification card number or similar number issued by a designated  
24 voter registration agency.

25 (c) Jurisdictional information including county and city or  
26 township; village, if any; and school district.

27 (d) Precinct numbers and ward numbers, if any.

1           (e) Any other information that the secretary of state  
2 determines is necessary to assess the eligibility of qualified  
3 electors or to administer voter registration or other aspects of  
4 the election process.

5           (f) Voting history for a 5-year period.

6           (g) The most recent digitized signature of an elector if  
7 captured or reproduced by the secretary of state or a county, city,  
8 or township clerk from a voter registration application pursuant to  
9 section 509hh, or captured or reproduced by the secretary of state  
10 pursuant to section 307 of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300,  
11 MCL 257.307.

12           **(H) EVIDENCE OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP.**