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BILL ANALYSIS



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Senate Bill 814 (as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Senator Dave Robertson
Committee: Elections and Government Reform

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Election Law to do the following:

- Require a voter registration application to contain additional information and statements.
- Revise requirements for the Secretary of State and the clerk of a city or village to manage destroyed or damaged voter registration records.
- Modify requirements concerning the cancellation of a previous registration.

The bill also would repeal sections of the Law concerning registration cards, voter identification cards, notification of changes of address or deaths, voting after the close of registration, an implementation study of the qualified voter file, the transfer of registration cards upon the division of a ward or precinct, and Freedom of Information Act requests.

Under the Law, to be eligible to register as an elector, an individual must be at least 18 years old, a resident of Michigan for at least 30 days, and a resident of a township, city, or village on or before the 30th day before the next regular or special election or primary election.

Under the bill, to be eligible, an individual would have to be at least 17½ years old, a resident of the State, and a resident of the township or city in which he or she was registering.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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