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Kuesel, Jeffery

From: Kennedy, Kevin - SEB
Sent: Friday, March 09, 2007 2:09 PM
To: Kuesel, Jeffery
Subject: Request for Legislative Draft
Attachments: Kuesel Proposed SVRS Number Change 3.07 .doc

Jeff,

Per our conversation I have attached my request to remove the SVRS unique identification number from the list of items that may only be viewed by authorized SVRS users: SEB staff and local election officials.

This is the most important item we have for change. The sooner it is drafted, the sooner I can work to implement the change.

Thank you.

Kevin Kennedy

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Executive Director

March 9, 2007

Sent by E-mail

Jeff Kuesel
Legislative Reference Bureau
1 East Main Street, Suite 200
Madison, WI 53701-2037

Dear Jeff:

The State Elections Board would like legislation prepared to make a critical change in the restriction on public access to certain information in the Statewide Voter Registration System (SVRS). The affected statute is Section 6.36 (1)(b)1.a. Please prepare a draft that makes the following change:

No person other than an employee of the board, a municipal clerk, a deputy clerk, an executive director of a city board of election commissioners, or a deputy designated by the executive director may view the date of birth, ~~registration identification number~~, operator's license number, or social security account number of an elector, the address of an elector to whom an identification serial number is issued under s.6.47 (3) or any indication of an accommodation required under s.5.25 (4) (a) to permit voting by an elector.

The registration identification number assigned by the SVRS application has no indicia of privacy. It is a management tool used to track voter records in the SVSR. The number meets the state and federal statutory requirements to assign a unique identification number to each voter. By itself, the number reveals no confidential information about an individual.

The number appears on various documents including poll lists and other lists requested by the public. Only an authorized SVRS user, with the required permissions assigned by the State Elections Board, may utilize this number if the user has access to the system. Currently, the State Elections Board staff and local election officials have to take extraordinary steps to redact this information from the distribution of public documents provided by SVRS.

It is important to have the number appear on documents that may be subject to public inspection because it permits the local election official to lookup the voter record without doing a search function in SVRS. It also enables local election officials who do not use scanning technology to update vote records more efficiently.

Thank you for your attention to this request. If you have any questions please contact me directly at 608-266-8087 or kevin.kennedy@seb.state.wi.us

State Elections Board

Kevin J. Kennedy
Executive Director



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Wed 3/14

PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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AN ACT ...; relating to: public access to voter registration identification numbers?

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Currently, the Elections Board (Government Accountability Board sometime after August 31, 2007) is directed by law to assign a unique registration identification number to each elector whose name appears on the official statewide voter registration list. The law also provides that no person other than an employee of the board, a municipal clerk, a deputy clerk, an executive director of a city board of election commissioners, or a deputy designated by the executive director may view the registration identification number.

This bill eliminates the confidentiality of registration identification numbers, thus making the numbers publicly accessible.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 6.36 (1) (b) 1. a. of the statutes is amended to read:

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~~registration identification number~~,[✓] operator's license number, or social security account number of an elector, the address of an elector to whom an identification serial number is issued under s. 6.47 (3), or any indication of an accommodation required under s. 5.25 (4) (a) to permit voting by an elector.

History: 1971 c. 304 s. 29 (2); 1975 c. 85; 1977 c. 394 ss. 21, 22, 53; 1999 a. 49; 2003 a. 265, 327; 2005 a. 451; 2007 a. 1.

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