

State of Wisconsin



2023 Senate Bill 98

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2023 WISCONSIN ACT

AN ACT to amend 5.056; and to create 343.17 (3) (a) 16. of the statutes; relating to: verifying citizenship of individuals on the official voter registration list and contents of operator's licenses and identification cards.

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

SECTION 1. 5.056 of the statutes is amended to read:

5.056 Matching program with secretary of transportation. The commission administrator shall enter into the agreement with the secretary of transportation specified under s. 85.61 (1) to match personally identifiable information on the official registration list maintained by the commission under s. 6.36 (1) and the information specified in s. 6.34 (2m) with personally identifiable information maintained by the department of transportation. The agreement shall require the department of transportation to provide the commission access to personally identifiable information maintained by the department of transportation in order to verify that individuals on the official registration list are U.S. citizens. The commission shall immediately verify the information on the list whenever an individual registers to vote or modifies his or her registration.

SECTION 2. 343.17 (3) (a) 16. of the statutes is created to read:

343.17 (3) (a) 16. If the person is not a U.S. citizen, the legend "Not valid for voting purposes" or another readily recognizable indication that the license may not be accepted for voter identification purposes.

SECTION 3. Nonstatutory provisions.

(1) **CITIZENSHIP VERIFICATION.** The elections commission shall verify the citizenship of all electors on the official registration list as soon as practicable after the effective date of this subsection using the information provided by the department of transportation under s. 5.056.

SECTION 4. Initial applicability.

(1) The treatment of s. 343.17 (3) (a) 16. first applies to operator's licenses and identification cards issued by the department of transportation on the effective date of this subsection.

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."