

# State of Wisconsin



2021 Senate Bill 940

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## 2021 WISCONSIN ACT

AN ACT *to amend* 5.056; and *to create* 6.50 (2v) of the statutes; **relating to:** comparison of voter information on the state's official voter registration list with information maintained by the Department of Transportation.

*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 elections commission access to personally identifiable information maintained by the department of transportation as necessary for the commission to carry out its duties under s. 6.50 (2v).

**SECTION 2.** 6.50 (2v) of the statutes is created to read:

6.50 (2v) (a) No later than 10 days after the date of each original registration or the date a registered elector makes changes to his or her registration, the commission shall compare the elector's personally identifiable information on the official registration list with the personally identifiable information maintained by the department of transportation. If the commission determines that there is a discrepancy between the elector's personally identifiable information on the registration list and the elector's

personally identifiable information maintained by the department of transportation, the commission shall do all of the following:

1. Correct the discrepancy on the registration list if the discrepancy concerns a single item of information, such as the elector's name, date of birth, driver's license number, or state identification card number; the discrepancy is minor, such as common variation in the elector's name, such as a nickname or missing a suffix; and the commission, or the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners as provided under par. (b), is able to correct the discrepancy on the basis of reliable information.

2. Mail a notice to the elector that informs the elector of each discrepancy identified under this paragraph, if there are discrepancies with respect to 2 or more items of information or the discrepancy cannot be corrected under subd. 1., and that the elector's registration will be suspended unless the elector corrects each discrepancy within 30 days after the date the notice is mailed.

3. Change an elector's registration from eligible to ineligible if the elector was mailed a notice of suspension under subd. 2. and the elector has not, within 30 days after the date the notice was mailed, corrected each discrepancy identified in the notice.

(b) The commission may delegate its duties under par. (a) 1., 2., and 3. to the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners. If the commission delegates its

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duties as provided under this paragraph, the commission shall ensure that the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners carries out those duties.

(c) The commission shall keep a permanent record of each discrepancy identified under par. (a) and how that discrepancy was resolved.

