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To amend sections 3501.01, 3503.14, 3503.16, 3503.19, 1
3503.28, 3505.18, 3505.181, 3505.182, 3505.183, 2
3509.03, 3509.031, 3509.04, 3509.05, 3511.02, 3
3511.05, 3511.09, 4507.50, and 4507.52 of the 4
Revised Code to generally require electors who 5
appear at a polling place to vote or who cast 6
absent voter's ballots in person to provide photo 7
identification, to establish a process for 8
electors who cannot afford photo identification to 9
receive free photo identification, and to permit 10
electors with a religious objection to being 11
photographed to vote in person upon the execution 12
of an affirmation to that effect. 13

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 3501.01, 3503.14, 3503.16, 3503.19, 14
3503.28, 3505.18, 3505.181, 3505.182, 3505.183, 3509.03, 3509.031, 15
3509.04, 3509.05, 3511.02, 3511.05, 3511.09, 4507.50, and 4507.52 16
of the Revised Code be amended to read as follows: 17

Sec. 3501.01. As used in the sections of the Revised Code 18

relating to elections and political communications:	19
(A) "General election" means the election held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in each November.	20 21
(B) "Regular municipal election" means the election held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in each odd-numbered year.	22 23 24
(C) "Regular state election" means the election held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in each even-numbered year.	25 26 27
(D) "Special election" means any election other than those elections defined in other divisions of this section. A special election may be held only on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in February, May, August, or November, or on the day authorized by a particular municipal or county charter for the holding of a primary election, except that in any year in which a presidential primary election is held, no special election shall be held in February or May, except as authorized by a municipal or county charter, but may be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March.	28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37
(E)(1) "Primary" or "primary election" means an election held for the purpose of nominating persons as candidates of political parties for election to offices, and for the purpose of electing persons as members of the controlling committees of political parties and as delegates and alternates to the conventions of political parties. Primary elections shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in May of each year except in years in which a presidential primary election is held.	38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45
(2) "Presidential primary election" means a primary election as defined by division (E)(1) of this section at which an election is held for the purpose of choosing delegates and alternates to the national conventions of the major political parties pursuant	46 47 48 49

to section 3513.12 of the Revised Code. Unless otherwise 50
specified, presidential primary elections are included in 51
references to primary elections. In years in which a presidential 52
primary election is held, all primary elections shall be held on 53
the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March except as 54
otherwise authorized by a municipal or county charter. 55

(F) "Political party" means any group of voters meeting the 56
requirements set forth in section 3517.01 of the Revised Code for 57
the formation and existence of a political party. 58

(1) "Major political party" means any political party 59
organized under the laws of this state whose candidate for 60
governor or nominees for presidential electors received no less 61
than twenty per cent of the total vote cast for such office at the 62
most recent regular state election. 63

(2) "Intermediate political party" means any political party 64
organized under the laws of this state whose candidate for 65
governor or nominees for presidential electors received less than 66
twenty per cent but not less than ten per cent of the total vote 67
cast for such office at the most recent regular state election. 68

(3) "Minor political party" means any political party 69
organized under the laws of this state whose candidate for 70
governor or nominees for presidential electors received less than 71
ten per cent but not less than five per cent of the total vote 72
cast for such office at the most recent regular state election or 73
which has filed with the secretary of state, subsequent to any 74
election in which it received less than five per cent of such 75
vote, a petition signed by qualified electors equal in number to 76
at least one per cent of the total vote cast for such office in 77
the last preceding regular state election, except that a newly 78
formed political party shall be known as a minor political party 79
until the time of the first election for governor or president 80
which occurs not less than twelve months subsequent to the 81

formation of such party, after which election the status of such 82
party shall be determined by the vote for the office of governor 83
or president. 84

(G) "Dominant party in a precinct" or "dominant political 85
party in a precinct" means that political party whose candidate 86
for election to the office of governor at the most recent regular 87
state election at which a governor was elected received more votes 88
than any other person received for election to that office in such 89
precinct at such election. 90

(H) "Candidate" means any qualified person certified in 91
accordance with the provisions of the Revised Code for placement 92
on the official ballot of a primary, general, or special election 93
to be held in this state, or any qualified person who claims to be 94
a write-in candidate, or who knowingly assents to being 95
represented as a write-in candidate by another at either a 96
primary, general, or special election to be held in this state. 97

(I) "Independent candidate" means any candidate who claims 98
not to be affiliated with a political party, and whose name has 99
been certified on the office-type ballot at a general or special 100
election through the filing of a statement of candidacy and 101
nominating petition, as prescribed in section 3513.257 of the 102
Revised Code. 103

(J) "Nonpartisan candidate" means any candidate whose name is 104
required, pursuant to section 3505.04 of the Revised Code, to be 105
listed on the nonpartisan ballot, including all candidates for 106
judicial office, for member of any board of education, for 107
municipal or township offices in which primary elections are not 108
held for nominating candidates by political parties, and for 109
offices of municipal corporations having charters that provide for 110
separate ballots for elections for these offices. 111

(K) "Party candidate" means any candidate who claims to be a 112

member of a political party, whose name has been certified on the 113
office-type ballot at a general or special election through the 114
filing of a declaration of candidacy and petition of candidate, 115
and who has won the primary election of the candidate's party for 116
the public office the candidate seeks or is selected by party 117
committee in accordance with section 3513.31 of the Revised Code. 118

(L) "Officer of a political party" includes, but is not 119
limited to, any member, elected or appointed, of a controlling 120
committee, whether representing the territory of the state, a 121
district therein, a county, township, a city, a ward, a precinct, 122
or other territory, of a major, intermediate, or minor political 123
party. 124

(M) "Question or issue" means any question or issue certified 125
in accordance with the Revised Code for placement on an official 126
ballot at a general or special election to be held in this state. 127

(N) "Elector" or "qualified elector" means a person having 128
the qualifications provided by law to be entitled to vote. 129

(O) "Voter" means an elector who votes at an election. 130

(P) "Voting residence" means that place of residence of an 131
elector which shall determine the precinct in which the elector 132
may vote. 133

(Q) "Precinct" means a district within a county established 134
by the board of elections of such county within which all 135
qualified electors having a voting residence therein may vote at 136
the same polling place. 137

(R) "Polling place" means that place provided for each 138
precinct at which the electors having a voting residence in such 139
precinct may vote. 140

(S) "Board" or "board of elections" means the board of 141
elections appointed in a county pursuant to section 3501.06 of the 142

Revised Code.	143
(T) "Political subdivision" means a county, township, city, village, or school district.	144 145
(U) "Election officer" or "election official" means any of the following:	146 147
(1) Secretary of state;	148
(2) Employees of the secretary of state serving the division of elections in the capacity of attorney, administrative officer, administrative assistant, elections administrator, office manager, or clerical supervisor;	149 150 151 152
(3) Director of a board of elections;	153
(4) Deputy director of a board of elections;	154
(5) Member of a board of elections;	155
(6) Employees of a board of elections;	156
(7) Precinct polling place judges;	157
(8) Employees appointed by the boards of elections on a temporary or part-time basis.	158 159
(V) "Acknowledgment notice" means a notice sent by a board of elections, on a form prescribed by the secretary of state, informing a voter registration applicant or an applicant who wishes to change the applicant's residence or name of the status of the application; the information necessary to complete or update the application, if any; and if the application is complete, the precinct in which the applicant is to vote.	160 161 162 163 164 165 166
(W) "Confirmation notice" means a notice sent by a board of elections, on a form prescribed by the secretary of state, to a registered elector to confirm the registered elector's current address.	167 168 169 170
(X) "Designated agency" means an office or agency in the	171

state that provides public assistance or that provides 172
state-funded programs primarily engaged in providing services to 173
persons with disabilities and that is required by the National 174
Voter Registration Act of 1993 to implement a program designed and 175
administered by the secretary of state for registering voters, or 176
any other public or government office or agency that implements a 177
program designed and administered by the secretary of state for 178
registering voters, including the department of job and family 179
services, the program administered under section 3701.132 of the 180
Revised Code by the department of health, the department of mental 181
health, the department of developmental disabilities, the 182
rehabilitation services commission, and any other agency the 183
secretary of state designates. "Designated agency" does not 184
include public high schools and vocational schools, public 185
libraries, or the office of a county treasurer. 186

(Y) "National Voter Registration Act of 1993" means the 187
"National Voter Registration Act of 1993," 107 Stat. 77, 42 188
U.S.C.A. 1973gg. 189

(Z) "Voting Rights Act of 1965" means the "Voting Rights Act 190
of 1965," 79 Stat. 437, 42 U.S.C.A. 1973, as amended. 191

(AA) "Photo identification" means a document that ~~meets each~~ 192
~~of the following requirements:~~ 193

(1) ~~It shows~~ Contains the name of the ~~individual to whom it~~ 194
~~was issued~~ elector, which shall conform to the name in the ~~poll~~ 195
~~list or signature pollbook.~~ individual's voter registration 196
record; 197

(2) ~~It shows the current address of the individual to whom it~~ 198
~~was issued, which shall conform to the address in the poll list or~~ 199
~~signature pollbook, except for a driver's license or a state~~ 200
~~identification card issued under section 4507.50 of the Revised~~ 201
~~Code, which may show either the current or former address of the~~ 202

~~individual to whom it was issued, regardless of whether that~~ 203
~~address conforms to the address in the poll list or signature~~ 204
~~pollbook.~~ 205

~~(3) It shows~~ Contains a photograph of the individual to whom 206
it was issued. 207

~~(4) It includes;~~ 208

(3) Contains an expiration date that ~~has not passed.~~ 209

~~(5) It was issued by the government of the United States or~~ 210
~~this state is not expired or that expired after the date of the~~ 211
~~most recent general election, unless the document is an Ohio~~ 212
~~driver's license or Ohio commercial driver's license, which may~~ 213
~~contain an expiration date that has expired at any time prior to~~ 214
~~the date on which it is presented as identification; and~~ 215

(4) Is one of the following documents: 216

(a) A valid Ohio driver's license or Ohio commercial driver's 217
license issued by the registrar of motor vehicles or a deputy 218
registrar under Chapter 4507. of the Revised Code that shows the 219
current or former address of the elector, regardless of whether 220
that address conforms to the address in the individual's voter 221
registration record; 222

(b) A valid state identification card issued by the registrar 223
of motor vehicles or a deputy registrar under section 4507.50 of 224
the Revised Code that shows the current or former address of the 225
elector, regardless of whether that address conforms to the 226
address in the individual's voter registration record; 227

(c) A valid United States military identification card; or 228

(d) A valid United States passport. 229

Sec. 3503.14. (A) The secretary of state shall prescribe the 230
form and content of the registration, change of residence, and 231

change of name forms used in this state. The forms shall meet the	232
requirements of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 and	233
shall include spaces for all of the following:	234
(1) The voter's name;	235
(2) The voter's address;	236
(3) The current date;	237
(4) The voter's date of birth;	238
(5) The voter to provide one or more of the following:	239
(a) The voter's driver's license number, if any;	240
(b) The last four digits of the voter's social security	241
number, if any;	242
(c) A copy of a current and valid photo identification, a	243
copy of a military identification, or a copy of a current utility	244
bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other	245
government document, other than a notice of an election mailed by	246
a board of elections under section 3501.19 of the Revised Code or	247
a notice of voter registration mailed by a board of elections	248
under section 3503.19 of the Revised Code, that shows the voter's	249
name and address.	250
(6) The voter's signature.	251
The registration form shall include a space on which the	252
person registering an applicant shall sign the person's name and	253
provide the person's address and a space on which the person	254
registering an applicant shall name the employer who is employing	255
that person to register the applicant.	256
Except for forms prescribed by the secretary of state under	257
section 3503.11 of the Revised Code, the secretary of state shall	258
permit boards of elections to produce forms that have subdivided	259
spaces for each individual alphanumeric character of the	260
information provided by the voter so as to accommodate the	261

electronic reading and conversion of the voter's information to 262
data and the subsequent electronic transfer of that data to the 263
statewide voter registration database established under section 264
3503.15 of the Revised Code. 265

(B) None of the following persons who are registering an 266
applicant in the course of that official's or employee's normal 267
duties shall sign the person's name, provide the person's address, 268
or name the employer who is employing the person to register an 269
applicant on a form prepared under this section: 270

(1) An election official; 271

(2) A county treasurer; 272

(3) A deputy registrar of motor vehicles; 273

(4) An employee of a designated agency; 274

(5) An employee of a public high school; 275

(6) An employee of a public vocational school; 276

(7) An employee of a public library; 277

(8) An employee of the office of a county treasurer; 278

(9) An employee of the bureau of motor vehicles; 279

(10) An employee of a deputy registrar of motor vehicles; 280

(11) An employee of an election official. 281

(C) Except as provided in section 3501.382 of the Revised 282
Code, any applicant who is unable to sign the applicant's own name 283
shall make an "X," if possible, which shall be certified by the 284
signing of the name of the applicant by the person filling out the 285
form, who shall add the person's own signature. If an applicant is 286
unable to make an "X," the applicant shall indicate in some manner 287
that the applicant desires to register to vote or to change the 288
applicant's name or residence. The person registering the 289
applicant shall sign the form and attest that the applicant 290

indicated that the applicant desired to register to vote or to 291
change the applicant's name or residence. 292

(D) No registration, change of residence, or change of name 293
form shall be rejected solely on the basis that a person 294
registering an applicant failed to sign the person's name or 295
failed to name the employer who is employing that person to 296
register the applicant as required under division (A) of this 297
section. 298

(E) As used in this section, "registering an applicant" 299
includes any effort, for compensation, to provide voter 300
registration forms or to assist persons in completing or returning 301
those forms. 302

Sec. 3503.16. (A) Whenever a registered elector changes the 303
place of residence of that registered elector from one precinct to 304
another within a county or from one county to another, or has a 305
change of name, that registered elector shall report the change by 306
delivering a change of residence or change of name form, whichever 307
is appropriate, as prescribed by the secretary of state under 308
section 3503.14 of the Revised Code to the state or local office 309
of a designated agency, a public high school or vocational school, 310
a public library, the office of the county treasurer, the office 311
of the secretary of state, any office of the registrar or deputy 312
registrar of motor vehicles, or any office of a board of elections 313
in person or by a third person. Any voter registration, change of 314
address, or change of name application, returned by mail, may be 315
sent only to the secretary of state or the board of elections. 316

A registered elector also may update the registration of that 317
registered elector by filing a change of residence or change of 318
name form on the day of a special, primary, or general election at 319
the polling place in the precinct in which that registered elector 320
resides or at the board of elections or at another site designated 321

by the board. 322

(B)(1)(a) Any registered elector who moves within a precinct 323
on or prior to the day of a general, primary, or special election 324
and has not filed a notice of change of residence with the board 325
of elections may vote in that election by going to that registered 326
elector's assigned polling place, completing and signing a notice 327
of change of residence, showing ~~identification in the form of a~~ 328
~~current and valid photo identification, a military identification,~~ 329
~~or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government~~ 330
~~check, paycheck, or other government document, other than a notice~~ 331
~~of an election mailed by a board of elections under section~~ 332
~~3501.19 of the Revised Code or a notice of voter registration~~ 333
~~mailed by a board of elections under section 3503.19 of the~~ 334
~~Revised Code, that shows the name and current address of the~~ 335
~~elector,~~ and casting a ballot. If the elector provides either a 336
driver's license or a state identification card issued under 337
section 4507.50 of the Revised Code that does not contain the 338
elector's current residence address, the elector shall provide the 339
last four digits of the elector's driver's license number or state 340
identification card number, and the precinct election official 341
shall mark the poll list or signature pollbook to indicate that 342
the elector has provided a driver's license or state 343
identification card number with a former address and record the 344
last four digits of the elector's driver's license number or state 345
identification card number. 346

(b) Any registered elector who changes the name of that 347
registered elector and remains within a precinct on or prior to 348
the day of a general, primary, or special election and has not 349
filed a notice of change of name with the board of elections may 350
vote in that election by going to that registered elector's 351
assigned polling place, completing and signing a notice of a 352
change of name, and casting a provisional ballot under section 353

3505.181 of the Revised Code. 354

(2) Any registered elector who moves from one precinct to 355
another within a county or moves from one precinct to another and 356
changes the name of that registered elector on or prior to the day 357
of a general, primary, or special election and has not filed a 358
notice of change of residence or change of name, whichever is 359
appropriate, with the board of elections may vote in that election 360
if that registered elector complies with division (G) of this 361
section or does all of the following: 362

(a) Appears at anytime during regular business hours on or 363
after the twenty-eighth day prior to the election in which that 364
registered elector wishes to vote or, if the election is held on 365
the day of a presidential primary election, the twenty-fifth day 366
prior to the election, through noon of the Saturday prior to the 367
election at the office of the board of elections, appears at any 368
time during regular business hours on the Monday prior to the 369
election at the office of the board of elections, or appears on 370
the day of the election at either of the following locations: 371

(i) The polling place in the precinct in which that 372
registered elector resides; 373

(ii) The office of the board of elections or, if pursuant to 374
division (C) of section 3501.10 of the Revised Code the board has 375
designated another location in the county at which registered 376
electors may vote, at that other location instead of the office of 377
the board of elections. 378

(b) Completes and signs, under penalty of election 379
falsification, a notice of change of residence or change of name, 380
whichever is appropriate, and files it with election officials at 381
the polling place, at the office of the board of elections, or, if 382
pursuant to division (C) of section 3501.10 of the Revised Code 383
the board has designated another location in the county at which 384

registered electors may vote, at that other location instead of 385
the office of the board of elections, whichever is appropriate; 386

(c) Votes a provisional ballot under section 3505.181 of the 387
Revised Code at the polling place, at the office of the board of 388
elections, or, if pursuant to division (C) of section 3501.10 of 389
the Revised Code the board has designated another location in the 390
county at which registered electors may vote, at that other 391
location instead of the office of the board of elections, 392
whichever is appropriate, using the address to which that 393
registered elector has moved or the name of that registered 394
elector as changed, whichever is appropriate; 395

(d) Completes and signs, under penalty of election 396
falsification, a statement attesting that that registered elector 397
moved or had a change of name, whichever is appropriate, on or 398
prior to the day of the election, has voted a provisional ballot 399
at the polling place in the precinct in which that registered 400
elector resides, at the office of the board of elections, or, if 401
pursuant to division (C) of section 3501.10 of the Revised Code 402
the board has designated another location in the county at which 403
registered electors may vote, at that other location instead of 404
the office of the board of elections, whichever is appropriate, 405
and will not vote or attempt to vote at any other location for 406
that particular election. The statement required under division 407
(B)(2)(d) of this section shall be included on the notice of 408
change of residence or change of name, whichever is appropriate, 409
required under division (B)(2)(b) of this section. 410

(C) Any registered elector who moves from one county to 411
another county within the state on or prior to the day of a 412
general, primary, or special election and has not registered to 413
vote in the county to which that registered elector moved may vote 414
in that election if that registered elector complies with division 415
(G) of this section or does all of the following: 416

(1) Appears at any time during regular business hours on or 417
after the twenty-eighth day prior to the election in which that 418
registered elector wishes to vote or, if the election is held on 419
the day of a presidential primary election, the twenty-fifth day 420
prior to the election, through noon of the Saturday prior to the 421
election at the office of the board of elections or, if pursuant 422
to division (C) of section 3501.10 of the Revised Code the board 423
has designated another location in the county at which registered 424
electors may vote, at that other location instead of the office of 425
the board of elections, appears during regular business hours on 426
the Monday prior to the election at the office of the board of 427
elections or, if pursuant to division (C) of section 3501.10 of 428
the Revised Code the board has designated another location in the 429
county at which registered electors may vote, at that other 430
location instead of the office of the board of elections, or 431
appears on the day of the election at the office of the board of 432
elections or, if pursuant to division (C) of section 3501.10 of 433
the Revised Code the board has designated another location in the 434
county at which registered electors may vote, at that other 435
location instead of the office of the board of elections; 436

(2) Completes and signs, under penalty of election 437
falsification, a notice of change of residence and files it with 438
election officials at the board of elections or, if pursuant to 439
division (C) of section 3501.10 of the Revised Code the board has 440
designated another location in the county at which registered 441
electors may vote, at that other location instead of the office of 442
the board of elections; 443

(3) Votes a provisional ballot under section 3505.181 of the 444
Revised Code at the office of the board of elections or, if 445
pursuant to division (C) of section 3501.10 of the Revised Code 446
the board has designated another location in the county at which 447
registered electors may vote, at that other location instead of 448

the office of the board of elections, using the address to which 449
that registered elector has moved; 450

(4) Completes and signs, under penalty of election 451
falsification, a statement attesting that that registered elector 452
has moved from one county to another county within the state on or 453
prior to the day of the election, has voted at the office of the 454
board of elections or, if pursuant to division (C) of section 455
3501.10 of the Revised Code the board has designated another 456
location in the county at which registered electors may vote, at 457
that other location instead of the office of the board of 458
elections, and will not vote or attempt to vote at any other 459
location for that particular election. The statement required 460
under division (C)(4) of this section shall be included on the 461
notice of change of residence required under division (C)(2) of 462
this section. 463

(D) A person who votes by absent voter's ballots pursuant to 464
division (G) of this section shall not make written application 465
for the ballots pursuant to Chapter 3509. of the Revised Code. 466
Ballots cast pursuant to division (G) of this section shall be set 467
aside in a special envelope and counted during the official 468
canvass of votes in the manner provided for in sections 3505.32 469
and 3509.06 of the Revised Code insofar as that manner is 470
applicable. The board shall examine the pollbooks to verify that 471
no ballot was cast at the polls or by absent voter's ballots under 472
Chapter 3509. or 3511. of the Revised Code by an elector who has 473
voted by absent voter's ballots pursuant to division (G) of this 474
section. Any ballot determined to be insufficient for any of the 475
reasons stated above or stated in section 3509.07 of the Revised 476
Code shall not be counted. 477

Subject to division (C) of section 3501.10 of the Revised 478
Code, a board of elections may lease or otherwise acquire a site 479
different from the office of the board at which registered 480

electors may vote pursuant to division (B) or (C) of this section. 481

(E) Upon receiving a change of residence or change of name 482
form, the board of elections shall immediately send the registrant 483
an acknowledgment notice. If the change of residence or change of 484
name form is valid, the board shall update the voter's 485
registration as appropriate. If that form is incomplete, the board 486
shall inform the registrant in the acknowledgment notice specified 487
in this division of the information necessary to complete or 488
update that registrant's registration. 489

(F) Change of residence and change of name forms shall be 490
available at each polling place, and when these forms are 491
completed, noting changes of residence or name, as appropriate, 492
they shall be filed with election officials at the polling place. 493
Election officials shall return completed forms, together with the 494
pollbooks and tally sheets, to the board of elections. 495

The board of elections shall provide change of residence and 496
change of name forms to the probate court and court of common 497
pleas. The court shall provide the forms to any person eighteen 498
years of age or older who has a change of name by order of the 499
court or who applies for a marriage license. The court shall 500
forward all completed forms to the board of elections within five 501
days after receiving them. 502

(G) A registered elector who otherwise would qualify to vote 503
under division (B) or (C) of this section but is unable to appear 504
at the office of the board of elections or, if pursuant to 505
division (C) of section 3501.10 of the Revised Code the board has 506
designated another location in the county at which registered 507
electors may vote, at that other location, on account of personal 508
illness, physical disability, or infirmity, may vote on the day of 509
the election if that registered elector does all of the following: 510

(1) Makes a written application that includes all of the 511

information required under section 3509.03 of the Revised Code to 512
the appropriate board for an absent voter's ballot on or after the 513
twenty-seventh day prior to the election in which the registered 514
elector wishes to vote through noon of the Saturday prior to that 515
election and requests that the absent voter's ballot be sent to 516
the address to which the registered elector has moved if the 517
registered elector has moved, or to the address of that registered 518
elector who has not moved but has had a change of name; 519

(2) Declares that the registered elector has moved or had a 520
change of name, whichever is appropriate, and otherwise is 521
qualified to vote under the circumstances described in division 522
(B) or (C) of this section, whichever is appropriate, but that the 523
registered elector is unable to appear at the board of elections 524
because of personal illness, physical disability, or infirmity; 525

(3) Completes and returns along with the completed absent 526
voter's ballot a notice of change of residence indicating the 527
address to which the registered elector has moved, or a notice of 528
change of name, whichever is appropriate; 529

(4) Completes and signs, under penalty of election 530
falsification, a statement attesting that the registered elector 531
has moved or had a change of name on or prior to the day before 532
the election, has voted by absent voter's ballot because of 533
personal illness, physical disability, or infirmity that prevented 534
the registered elector from appearing at the board of elections, 535
and will not vote or attempt to vote at any other location or by 536
absent voter's ballot mailed to any other location or address for 537
that particular election. 538

Sec. 3503.19. (A) Persons qualified to register or to change 539
their registration because of a change of address or change of 540
name may register or change their registration in person at any 541
state or local office of a designated agency, at the office of the 542

registrar or any deputy registrar of motor vehicles, at a public 543
high school or vocational school, at a public library, at the 544
office of a county treasurer, or at a branch office established by 545
the board of elections, or in person, through another person, or 546
by mail at the office of the secretary of state or at the office 547
of a board of elections. A registered elector may also change the 548
elector's registration on election day at any polling place where 549
the elector is eligible to vote, in the manner provided under 550
section 3503.16 of the Revised Code. 551

Any state or local office of a designated agency, the office 552
of the registrar or any deputy registrar of motor vehicles, a 553
public high school or vocational school, a public library, or the 554
office of a county treasurer shall transmit any voter registration 555
application or change of registration form that it receives to the 556
board of elections of the county in which the state or local 557
office is located, within five days after receiving the voter 558
registration application or change of registration form. 559

An otherwise valid voter registration application that is 560
returned to the appropriate office other than by mail must be 561
received by a state or local office of a designated agency, the 562
office of the registrar or any deputy registrar of motor vehicles, 563
a public high school or vocational school, a public library, the 564
office of a county treasurer, the office of the secretary of 565
state, or the office of a board of elections no later than the 566
thirtieth day preceding a primary, special, or general election 567
for the person to qualify as an elector eligible to vote at that 568
election. An otherwise valid registration application received 569
after that day entitles the elector to vote at all subsequent 570
elections. 571

Any state or local office of a designated agency, the office 572
of the registrar or any deputy registrar of motor vehicles, a 573
public high school or vocational school, a public library, or the 574

office of a county treasurer shall date stamp a registration 575
application or change of name or change of address form it 576
receives using a date stamp that does not disclose the identity of 577
the state or local office that receives the registration. 578

Voter registration applications, if otherwise valid, that are 579
returned by mail to the office of the secretary of state or to the 580
office of a board of elections must be postmarked no later than 581
the thirtieth day preceding a primary, special, or general 582
election in order for the person to qualify as an elector eligible 583
to vote at that election. If an otherwise valid voter registration 584
application that is returned by mail does not bear a postmark or a 585
legible postmark, the registration shall be valid for that 586
election if received by the office of the secretary of state or 587
the office of a board of elections no later than twenty-five days 588
preceding any special, primary, or general election. 589

(B)(1) Any person may apply in person, by telephone, by mail, 590
or through another person for voter registration forms to the 591
office of the secretary of state or the office of a board of 592
elections. An individual who is eligible to vote as a uniformed 593
services voter or an overseas voter in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 594
1973ff-6 also may apply for voter registration forms by electronic 595
means to the office of the secretary of state or to the board of 596
elections of the county in which the person's voting residence is 597
located pursuant to section 3503.191 of the Revised Code. 598

(2)(a) An applicant may return the applicant's completed 599
registration form in person or by mail to any state or local 600
office of a designated agency, to a public high school or 601
vocational school, to a public library, to the office of a county 602
treasurer, to the office of the secretary of state, or to the 603
office of a board of elections. An applicant who is eligible to 604
vote as a uniformed services voter or an overseas voter in 605
accordance with 42 U.S.C. 1973ff-6 also may return the applicant's 606

completed voter registration form electronically to the office of 607
the secretary of state or to the board of elections of the county 608
in which the person's voting residence is located pursuant to 609
section 3503.191 of the Revised Code. 610

(b) Subject to division (B)(2)(c) of this section, an 611
applicant may return the applicant's completed registration form 612
through another person to any board of elections or the office of 613
the secretary of state. 614

(c) A person who receives compensation for registering a 615
voter shall return any registration form entrusted to that person 616
by an applicant to any board of elections or to the office of the 617
secretary of state. 618

(d) If a board of elections or the office of the secretary of 619
state receives a registration form under division (B)(2)(b) or (c) 620
of this section before the thirtieth day before an election, the 621
board or the office of the secretary of state, as applicable, 622
shall forward the registration to the board of elections of the 623
county in which the applicant is seeking to register to vote 624
within ten days after receiving the application. If a board of 625
elections or the office of the secretary of state receives a 626
registration form under division (B)(2)(b) or (c) of this section 627
on or after the thirtieth day before an election, the board or the 628
office of the secretary of state, as applicable, shall forward the 629
registration to the board of elections of the county in which the 630
applicant is seeking to register to vote within thirty days after 631
that election. 632

(C)(1) A board of elections that receives a voter 633
registration application and is satisfied as to the truth of the 634
statements made in the registration form shall register the 635
applicant not later than twenty business days after receiving the 636
application, unless that application is received during the thirty 637
days immediately preceding the day of an election. The board shall 638

promptly notify the applicant in writing of each of the following: 639

(a) The applicant's registration; 640

(b) The precinct in which the applicant is to vote; 641

(c) In bold type as follows: 642

"Voters must bring photo identification to the polls in order 643
to verify identity. ~~Identification may include a current and valid~~ 644
~~photo identification, a military identification, or a copy of a~~ 645
~~current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck,~~ 646
~~or other government document, other than this notification or a~~ 647
~~notification of an election mailed by a board of elections, that~~ 648
~~shows the voter's name and current address. Voters who do not~~ 649
~~provide one of these documents have a religious objection to being~~ 650
~~photographed will still be able to vote by providing the last four~~ 651
~~digits of the voter's social security number and by casting a~~ 652
~~provisional ballot. Voters who do not have any of the above forms~~ 653
~~of identification, including a social security number, will still~~ 654
~~be able to vote by signing an affirmation ~~swearing to the voter's~~~~ 655
~~identity to that effect under penalty of election falsification~~ 656
and by casting a provisional ballot." 657

The notification shall be by nonforwardable mail. If the mail 658
is returned to the board, it shall investigate and cause the 659
notification to be delivered to the correct address. 660

(2) If, after investigating as required under division (C)(1) 661
of this section, the board is unable to verify the voter's correct 662
address, it shall cause the voter's name in the official 663
registration list and in the poll list or signature pollbook to be 664
marked to indicate that the voter's notification was returned to 665
the board. 666

At the first election at which a voter whose name has been so 667
marked appears to vote, the voter shall be required to provide 668
photo identification to the election officials and to vote by 669

provisional ballot under section 3505.181 of the Revised Code. If 670
the provisional ballot is counted pursuant to division (B)(3) of 671
section 3505.183 of the Revised Code, the board shall correct that 672
voter's registration, if needed, and shall remove the indication 673
that the voter's notification was returned from that voter's name 674
on the official registration list and on the poll list or 675
signature pollbook. If the provisional ballot is not counted 676
pursuant to division (B)(4)(a)(i), (v), or (vi) of section 677
3505.183 of the Revised Code, the voter's registration shall be 678
canceled. The board shall notify the voter by United States mail 679
of the cancellation. 680

(3) If a notice of the disposition of an otherwise valid 681
registration application is sent by nonforwardable mail and is 682
returned undelivered, the person shall be registered as provided 683
in division (C)(2) of this section and sent a confirmation notice 684
by forwardable mail. If the person fails to respond to the 685
confirmation notice, update the person's registration, or vote by 686
provisional ballot as provided in division (C)(2) of this section 687
in any election during the period of two federal elections 688
subsequent to the mailing of the confirmation notice, the person's 689
registration shall be canceled. 690

Sec. 3503.28. (A) The secretary of state shall develop an 691
information brochure regarding voter registration. The brochure 692
shall include, but is not limited to, all of the following 693
information: 694

(1) The applicable deadlines for registering to vote or for 695
returning an applicant's completed registration form; 696

(2) The applicable deadline for returning an applicant's 697
completed registration form if the person returning the form is 698
being compensated for registering voters; 699

(3) The locations to which a person may return an applicant's 700

completed registration form; 701

(4) The location to which a person who is compensated for 702
registering voters may return an applicant's completed 703
registration form; 704

(5) The registration and affirmation requirements applicable 705
to persons who are compensated for registering voters under 706
section 3503.29 of the Revised Code; 707

(6) A notice, which shall be written in bold type, stating as 708
follows: 709

"Voters must bring photo identification to the polls in order 710
to verify identity. ~~Identification may include a current and valid~~ 711
~~photo identification, a military identification, or a copy of a~~ 712
~~current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck,~~ 713
~~or other government document, other than a notice of an election~~ 714
~~or a voter registration notification sent by a board of elections,~~ 715
~~that shows the voter's name and current address. Voters who do not~~ 716
~~provide one of these documents have a religious objection to being~~ 717
~~photographed will still be able to vote by providing the last four~~ 718
~~digits of the voter's social security number and by casting a~~ 719
~~provisional ballot. Voters who do not have any of the above forms~~ 720
~~of identification, including a social security number, will still~~ 721
~~be able to vote by signing an affirmation ~~swearing to the voter's~~~~ 722
~~identity to that effect under penalty of election falsification~~ 723
and by casting a provisional ballot." 724

(B) Except as otherwise provided in division (D) of this 725
section, a board of elections, designated agency, public high 726
school, public vocational school, public library, office of a 727
county treasurer, or deputy registrar of motor vehicles shall 728
distribute a copy of the brochure developed under division (A) of 729
this section to any person who requests more than two voter 730
registration forms at one time. 731

(C)(1) The secretary of state shall provide the information 732
required to be included in the brochure developed under division 733
(A) of this section to any person who prints a voter registration 734
form that is made available on a web site of the office of the 735
secretary of state. 736

(2) If a board of elections operates and maintains a web 737
site, the board shall provide the information required to be 738
included in the brochure developed under division (A) of this 739
section to any person who prints a voter registration form that is 740
made available on that web site. 741

(D) A board of elections shall not be required to distribute 742
a copy of a brochure under division (B) of this section to any of 743
the following officials or employees who are requesting more than 744
two voter registration forms at one time in the course of the 745
official's or employee's normal duties: 746

- (1) An election official; 747
- (2) A county treasurer; 748
- (3) A deputy registrar of motor vehicles; 749
- (4) An employee of a designated agency; 750
- (5) An employee of a public high school; 751
- (6) An employee of a public vocational school; 752
- (7) An employee of a public library; 753
- (8) An employee of the office of a county treasurer; 754
- (9) An employee of the bureau of motor vehicles; 755
- (10) An employee of a deputy registrar of motor vehicles; 756
- (11) An employee of an election official. 757

(E) As used in this section, "registering voters" includes 758
any effort, for compensation, to provide voter registration forms 759
or to assist persons in completing or returning those forms. 760

~~Sec. 3505.18. (A)(1) When an elector appears in a polling place to vote, the elector shall announce to the precinct election officials the elector's full name and current address and provide proof of the elector's identity in the form of a ~~current and valid~~ photo identification, ~~a military identification, or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document, other than a notice of an election mailed by a board of elections under section 3501.19 of the Revised Code or a notice of voter registration mailed by a board of elections under section 3503.19 of the Revised Code, that shows the name and current address of the elector. If the elector provides either a driver's license or a state identification card issued under section 4507.50 of the Revised Code that does not contain the elector's current residence address, the elector shall provide the last four digits of the elector's driver's license number or state identification card number, and the precinct election official shall mark the poll list or signature pollbook to indicate that the elector has provided a driver's license or state identification card number with a former address and record the last four digits of the elector's driver's license number or state identification card number.~~~~

~~(2) If an elector has but is unable to provide to the precinct election officials any of the forms of identification required under division (A)(1) of this section, but has a social security number, the elector may provide the last four digits of the elector's social security number. Upon providing the social security number information, the elector may cast a provisional ballot under section 3505.181 of the Revised Code, the envelope of which ballot shall include that social security number information.~~

~~(3) If an elector has but is unable to provide to the precinct election officials any of the forms of identification~~

~~required under division (A)(1) of this section and if the elector~~ 793
~~has a social security number but is unable to provide the last~~ 794
~~four digits of the elector's social security number, the elector~~ 795
~~may cast a provisional ballot under section 3505.181 of the~~ 796
~~Revised Code.~~ 797

~~(4) If an elector does not have any of the forms of~~ 798
~~identification required under division (A)(1) of this section and~~ 799
~~cannot provide the last four digits of the elector's social~~ 800
~~security number because the elector does not have a social~~ 801
~~security number has a religious objection to being photographed,~~ 802
the elector may execute an affirmation under penalty of election 803
falsification ~~that the elector cannot provide the identification~~ 804
~~required under that division or the last four digits of the~~ 805
~~elector's social security number for those reasons to that effect.~~ 806
Upon signing the affirmation, the elector may cast a provisional 807
ballot under section 3505.181 of the Revised Code. The secretary 808
of state shall prescribe the form of the affirmation, which shall 809
include spaces for all of the following: 810

(a) The elector's name; 811

(b) The elector's address; 812

(c) The current date; 813

(d) The elector's date of birth; 814

(e) The elector's signature; and 815

(f) A statement that the elector has a religious objection to 816
being photographed. 817

~~(5) If an elector does not have any of the forms of~~ 818
~~identification required under division (A)(1) of this section and~~ 819
~~cannot provide the last four digits of the elector's social~~ 820
~~security number because the elector does not have a social~~ 821
~~security number, and if the elector declines to execute an~~ 822

~~affirmation under division (A)(4) of this section, the elector may~~ 823
~~cast a provisional ballot under section 3505.181 of the Revised~~ 824
~~Code, the envelope of which ballot shall include the elector's~~ 825
~~name.~~ 826

~~(6)(3) If an elector has but does not have or declines to~~ 827
~~provide photo identification to the precinct election officials~~ 828
~~any of the forms of identification required under division (A)(1)~~ 829
~~of this section or the elector has a social security number but~~ 830
~~declines to provide to the precinct election officials the last~~ 831
~~four digits of the elector's social security number but the~~ 832
~~elector does not have a religious objection to being photographed,~~ 833
the elector may cast a provisional ballot under section 3505.181 834
of the Revised Code. 835

(B) After the elector has announced the elector's full name 836
and current address and provided ~~any of the forms of~~ 837
identification required under division (A)(1) of this section, the 838
elector shall ~~write~~ confirm the elector's name and address by 839
signing the elector's name at the proper place in the poll list or 840
signature pollbook provided for the purpose, except that if, for 841
any reason, an elector is unable to ~~write~~ sign the elector's name 842
~~and current address~~ in the poll list or signature pollbook, the 843
elector may make the elector's mark at the place intended for the 844
elector's name, and a precinct election official shall write the 845
name of the elector at the proper place on the poll list or 846
signature pollbook following the elector's mark. The making of 847
such a mark shall be attested by the precinct election official, 848
who shall evidence the same by signing the precinct election 849
official's name on the poll list or signature pollbook as a 850
witness to the mark. Alternatively, if applicable, an attorney in 851
fact acting pursuant to section 3501.382 of the Revised Code may 852
sign the elector's signature in the poll list or signature 853
pollbook in accordance with that section. 854

The elector's signature in the poll list or signature 855
pollbook then shall be compared with the elector's signature on 856
the elector's registration form or a digitized signature list as 857
provided for in section 3503.13 of the Revised Code, and if, in 858
the opinion of a majority of the precinct election officials, the 859
signatures are the signatures of the same person, the election 860
officials shall enter the date of the election on the registration 861
form or shall record the date by other means prescribed by the 862
secretary of state. The validity of an attorney in fact's 863
signature on behalf of an elector shall be determined in 864
accordance with section 3501.382 of the Revised Code. 865

If the right of the elector to vote is not then challenged, 866
or, if being challenged, the elector establishes the elector's 867
right to vote, the elector shall be allowed to proceed to use the 868
voting machine. If voting machines are not being used in that 869
precinct, the judge in charge of ballots shall then detach the 870
next ballots to be issued to the elector from Stub B attached to 871
each ballot, leaving Stub A attached to each ballot, hand the 872
ballots to the elector, and call the elector's name and the stub 873
number on each of the ballots. The judge shall enter the stub 874
numbers opposite the signature of the elector in the pollbook. The 875
elector shall then retire to one of the voting compartments to 876
mark the elector's ballots. No mark shall be made on any ballot 877
which would in any way enable any person to identify the person 878
who voted the ballot. 879

Sec. 3505.181. (A) All of the following individuals shall be 880
permitted to cast a provisional ballot at an election: 881

(1) An individual who declares that the individual is a 882
registered voter in the jurisdiction in which the individual 883
desires to vote and that the individual is eligible to vote in an 884
election, but the name of the individual does not appear on the 885

official list of eligible voters for the polling place or an 886
election official asserts that the individual is not eligible to 887
vote; 888

~~(2) An individual who has a social security number and 889
provides to the election officials the last four digits of the 890
individual's social security number as permitted by division 891
(A)(2) of section 3505.18 of the Revised Code; 892~~

~~(3) An individual who has but is unable to does not have or 893
declines to provide photo identification to the election officials 894
any of the forms of identification required under division 895
(A)(1)(3) of section 3505.18 of the Revised Code and who has a 896
social security number but is unable to provide the last four 897
digits of the individual's social security number as permitted 898
under division (A)(2) of that section; 899~~

~~(4)(3) An individual who does not have any of the forms of 900
photo identification required under division (A)(1) of section 901
3505.18 of the Revised Code, who cannot provide the last four 902
digits of the individual's social security number under division 903
(A)(2) of that section because the individual does not have a 904
social security number has a religious objection to being 905
photographed, and who has executed an affirmation as permitted 906
under division (A)(4)(2) of ~~that~~ section 3505.18 of the Revised 907
Code; 908~~

~~(5)(4) An individual whose name in the poll list or signature 909
pollbook has been marked under section 3509.09 or 3511.13 of the 910
Revised Code as having requested an absent voter's ballot or ~~an 911
armed service~~ a uniformed services or overseas absent voter's 912
ballot for that election and who appears to vote at the polling 913
place; 914~~

~~(6)(5) An individual whose notification of registration has 915
been returned undelivered to the board of elections and whose name 916~~

in the official registration list and in the poll list or 917
signature pollbook has been marked under division (C)(2) of 918
section 3503.19 of the Revised Code; 919

~~(7)~~(6) An individual who is challenged under section 3505.20 920
of the Revised Code and the election officials determine that the 921
person is ineligible to vote or are unable to determine the 922
person's eligibility to vote; 923

~~(8)~~(7) An individual whose application or challenge hearing 924
has been postponed until after the day of the election under 925
division (D)(1) of section 3503.24 of the Revised Code; 926

~~(9)~~(8) An individual who changes the individual's name and 927
remains within the precinct, moves from one precinct to another 928
within a county, moves from one precinct to another and changes 929
the individual's name, or moves from one county to another within 930
the state, and completes and signs the required forms and 931
statements under division (B) or (C) of section 3503.16 of the 932
Revised Code; 933

~~(10)~~(9) An individual whose signature, in the opinion of the 934
precinct officers under section 3505.22 of the Revised Code, is 935
not that of the person who signed that name in the registration 936
forms; 937

~~(11)~~(10) An individual who is challenged under section 938
3513.20 of the Revised Code who refuses to make the statement 939
required under that section, who a majority of the precinct 940
officials find lacks any of the qualifications to make the 941
individual a qualified elector, or who a majority of the precinct 942
officials find is not affiliated with or a member of the political 943
party whose ballot the individual desires to vote; 944

~~(12)~~ An individual who does not have any of the forms of 945
identification required under division (A)(1) of section 3505.18 946
of the Revised Code, who cannot provide the last four digits of 947

~~the individual's social security number under division (A)(2) of 948
that section because the person does not have a social security 949
number, and who declines to execute an affirmation as permitted 950
under division (A)(4) of that section; 951~~

~~(13) An individual who has but declines to provide to the 952
precinct election officials any of the forms of identification 953
required under division (A)(1) of section 3501.18 of the Revised 954
Code or who has a social security number but declines to provide 955
to the precinct election officials the last four digits of the 956
individual's social security number. 957~~

(B) An individual who is eligible to cast a provisional 958
ballot under division (A) of this section shall be permitted to 959
cast a provisional ballot as follows: 960

(1) An election official at the polling place shall notify 961
the individual that the individual may cast a provisional ballot 962
in that election. 963

(2) The individual shall be permitted to cast a provisional 964
ballot at that polling place upon the execution of a written 965
affirmation by the individual before an election official at the 966
polling place stating that the individual is both of the 967
following: 968

(a) A registered voter in the jurisdiction in which the 969
individual desires to vote; 970

(b) Eligible to vote in that election. 971

(3) An election official at the polling place shall transmit 972
the ballot cast by the individual, the voter information contained 973
in the written affirmation executed by the individual under 974
division (B)(2) of this section, or the individual's name if the 975
individual declines to execute such an affirmation to an 976
appropriate local election official for verification under 977
division (B)(4) of this section. 978

(4) If the appropriate local election official to whom the ballot or voter or address information is transmitted under division (B)(3) of this section determines that the individual is eligible to vote, the individual's provisional ballot shall be counted as a vote in that election.

(5)(a) At the time that an individual casts a provisional ballot, the appropriate local election official shall give the individual written information that states that any individual who casts a provisional ballot will be able to ascertain under the system established under division (B)(5)(b) of this section whether the vote was counted, and, if the vote was not counted, the reason that the vote was not counted.

(b) The appropriate state or local election official shall establish a free access system, in the form of a toll-free telephone number, that any individual who casts a provisional ballot may access to discover whether the vote of that individual was counted, and, if the vote was not counted, the reason that the vote was not counted. The free access system established under this division also shall provide to an individual whose provisional ballot was not counted information explaining how that individual may contact the board of elections to register to vote or to resolve problems with the individual's voter registration.

The appropriate state or local election official shall establish and maintain reasonable procedures necessary to protect the security, confidentiality, and integrity of personal information collected, stored, or otherwise used by the free access system established under this division. Access to information about an individual ballot shall be restricted to the individual who cast the ballot.

(6) If, at the time that an individual casts a provisional ballot, the individual provides ~~identification in the form of a current and valid photo identification, a military identification,~~

~~or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government
check, paycheck, or other government document, other than a notice
of an election mailed by a board of elections under section
3501.19 of the Revised Code or a notice of voter registration
mailed by a board of elections under section 3503.19 of the
Revised Code, that shows the individual's name and current
address, or provides the last four digits of the individual's
social security number, or executes an affirmation that the
elector does not have any of those forms of identification or the
last four digits of the individual's social security number
because the individual does not have a social security number, or
declines to execute such an affirmation individual has a religious
objection to being photographed, the appropriate local election
official shall record the type of identification provided, ~~the
social security number information, or~~ the fact that the
affirmation was executed, ~~or the fact that the individual declined
to execute such an affirmation~~ and include that information with
the transmission of the ballot or voter or address information
under division (B)(3) of this section. ~~If the individual declines
to execute such an affirmation, the appropriate local election
official shall record the individual's name and include that
information with the transmission of the ballot under division
(B)(3) of this section.~~~~

(7) If an individual casts a provisional ballot pursuant to
division (A)~~(3)(2)~~, ~~(7)~~, ~~(8)~~, ~~(12)(6)~~, or ~~(13)(7)~~ of this section,
the election official shall indicate, on the provisional ballot
verification statement required under section 3505.182 of the
Revised Code, that the individual is required to provide
additional information to the board of elections or that an
application or challenge hearing has been postponed with respect
to the individual, such that additional information is required
for the board of elections to determine the eligibility of the
individual who cast the provisional ballot.

(8) During the ten days after the day of an election, an individual who casts a provisional ballot pursuant to division (A)~~(3)~~, ~~(7)~~, ~~(12)~~, (2) or ~~(13)~~(6) of this section shall appear at the office of the board of elections and provide to the board any additional information necessary to determine the eligibility of the individual who cast the provisional ballot.

(a) For a provisional ballot cast pursuant to division (A)~~(3)~~, ~~(12)~~, or ~~(13)~~(2) of this section to be eligible to be counted, the individual who cast that ballot, within ten days after the day of the election, shall ~~do any of the following:~~

~~(i) Provide~~ provide to the board of elections proof of the individual's identity in the form of a ~~current and valid~~ photo identification, ~~a military identification, or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document, other than a notice of an election mailed by a board of elections under section 3501.19 of the Revised Code or a notice of voter registration mailed by a board of elections under section 3503.19 of the Revised Code, that shows the individual's name and current address;~~

~~(ii) Provide to the board of elections the last four digits of the individual's social security number;~~

~~(iii) In the case of a provisional ballot executed pursuant to division (A)(12) of this section, execute an affirmation as permitted under division (A)(4) of section 3505.18 of the Revised Code~~ or execute an affirmation under division (A)(2) of section 3505.18 of the Revised Code stating that the individual has a religious objection to being photographed.

(b) For a provisional ballot cast pursuant to division (A)~~(7)~~(6) of this section to be eligible to be counted, the individual who cast that ballot, within ten days after the day of that election, shall provide to the board of elections any

identification or other documentation required to be provided by 1075
the applicable challenge questions asked of that individual under 1076
section 3505.20 of the Revised Code. 1077

(C)(1) If an individual declares that the individual is 1078
eligible to vote in a jurisdiction other than the jurisdiction in 1079
which the individual desires to vote, or if, upon review of the 1080
precinct voting location guide using the residential street 1081
address provided by the individual, an election official at the 1082
polling place at which the individual desires to vote determines 1083
that the individual is not eligible to vote in that jurisdiction, 1084
the election official shall direct the individual to the polling 1085
place for the jurisdiction in which the individual appears to be 1086
eligible to vote, explain that the individual may cast a 1087
provisional ballot at the current location but the ballot will not 1088
be counted if it is cast in the wrong precinct, and provide the 1089
telephone number of the board of elections in case the individual 1090
has additional questions. 1091

(2) If the individual refuses to travel to the polling place 1092
for the correct jurisdiction or to the office of the board of 1093
elections to cast a ballot, the individual shall be permitted to 1094
vote a provisional ballot at that jurisdiction in accordance with 1095
division (B) of this section. If any of the following apply, the 1096
provisional ballot cast by that individual shall not be opened or 1097
counted: 1098

(a) The individual is not properly registered in that 1099
jurisdiction. 1100

(b) The individual is not eligible to vote in that election 1101
in that jurisdiction. 1102

(c) The individual's eligibility to vote in that jurisdiction 1103
in that election cannot be established upon examination of the 1104
records on file with the board of elections. 1105

(D) The appropriate local election official shall cause voting information to be publicly posted at each polling place on the day of each election.

(E) As used in this section and sections 3505.182 and 3505.183 of the Revised Code:

(1) "Jurisdiction" means the precinct in which a person is a legally qualified elector.

(2) "Precinct voting location guide" means either of the following:

(a) An electronic or paper record that lists the correct jurisdiction and polling place for either each specific residential street address in the county or the range of residential street addresses located in each neighborhood block in the county;

(b) Any other method that a board of elections creates that allows a precinct election official or any elector who is at a polling place in that county to determine the correct jurisdiction and polling place of any qualified elector who resides in the county.

(3) "Voting information" means all of the following:

(a) A sample version of the ballot that will be used for that election;

(b) Information regarding the date of the election and the hours during which polling places will be open;

(c) Instructions on how to vote, including how to cast a vote and how to cast a provisional ballot;

(d) Instructions for mail-in registrants and first-time voters under applicable federal and state laws;

(e) General information on voting rights under applicable federal and state laws, including information on the right of an

individual to cast a provisional ballot and instructions on how to 1136
contact the appropriate officials if these rights are alleged to 1137
have been violated; 1138

(f) General information on federal and state laws regarding 1139
prohibitions against acts of fraud and misrepresentation. 1140

Sec. 3505.182. Each individual who casts a provisional ballot 1141
under section 3505.181 of the Revised Code shall execute a written 1142
affirmation. The form of the written affirmation shall be printed 1143
upon the face of the provisional ballot envelope and shall be 1144
substantially as follows: 1145

"Provisional Ballot Affirmation 1146

STATE OF OHIO 1147

I, (Name of provisional voter), solemnly 1148
swear or affirm that I am a registered voter in the jurisdiction 1149
in which I am voting this provisional ballot and that I am 1150
eligible to vote in the election in which I am voting this 1151
provisional ballot. 1152

I understand that, if the above-provided information is not 1153
fully completed and correct, if the board of elections determines 1154
that I am not registered to vote, a resident of this precinct, or 1155
eligible to vote in this election, or if the board of elections 1156
determines that I have already voted in this election, my 1157
provisional ballot will not be counted. I further understand that 1158
knowingly providing false information is a violation of law and 1159
subjects me to possible criminal prosecution. 1160

I hereby declare, under penalty of election falsification, 1161
that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my 1162
knowledge and belief. 1163

..... 1164
(Signature of Voter) 1165

.....	1166
(Voter's date of birth)	1167
The last four digits of the voter's social security number	1168
.....	1169
(To be provided if the voter is unable to provide a current and valid photo identification, a military identification, or a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document, other than a notice of an election mailed by a board of elections under section 3501.19 of the Revised Code or a notice of voter registration mailed by a board of elections under section 3503.19 of the Revised Code, that shows the voter's name and current address but is able to provide these last four digits)	1170
WHOEVER COMMITS ELECTION FALSIFICATION IS GUILTY OF A FELONY	1171
OF THE FIFTH DEGREE.	1172
Additional Information For Determining Ballot Validity	1173
(May be completed at voter's discretion)	1174
Voter's current address:	1175
Voter's former address if	1176
photo identification does not contain voter's current address	
Voter's driver's license number or, if not provided	1177

~~above, the last four digits
of voter's social security
number~~

~~(Please circle number type)~~ 1178

~~(Voter may attach a copy of any of the following for
identification purposes: a current and valid photo identification,
a military identification, or a current utility bill, bank
statement, government check, paycheck, or other government
document, other than a notice of an election mailed by a board of
elections under section 3501.19 of the Revised Code or a notice of
voter registration mailed by a board of elections under section
3503.19 of the Revised Code, that shows the voter's name and
current address for identification purposes.)~~ 1179

Reason for voting provisional ballot (Check one): 1180

..... Requested, but did not receive, absent voter's ballot 1181

..... Other 1182

Verification Statement 1183

(To be completed by election official) 1184

The Provisional Ballot Affirmation printed above was 1185

subscribed and affirmed before me this day of 1186

..... (Month), (Year). 1187

(If applicable, the election official must check the 1188

following true statement concerning additional information needed 1189

to determine the eligibility of the provisional voter.) 1190

..... The provisional voter is required to provide 1191

additional information to the board of elections. 1192

..... An application or challenge hearing regarding this 1193

voter has been postponed until after the election. 1194

(The election official must check the following true 1195

statement concerning identification provided by the provisional 1196

voter, if any.) 1197

..... The provisional voter provided a current and valid photo identification. 1198
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..... The provisional voter ~~provided~~ did not provide a current valid photo identification, ~~other than a driver's license or a state identification card, with the voter's former address instead of current address and has provided the election official both the current and former addresses.~~ 1200
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~~..... The provisional voter provided a military identification or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document, other than a notice of an election mailed by a board of elections under section 3501.19 of the Revised Code or a notice of voter registration mailed by a board of elections under section 3503.19 of the Revised Code, with the voter's name and current address.~~ 1205
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~~..... The provisional voter provided the last four digits of the voter's social security number.~~ 1213
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~~..... The provisional voter is not able to provide a current and valid photo identification, a military identification, or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document, other than a notice of an election mailed by a board of elections under section 3501.19 of the Revised Code or a notice of voter registration mailed by a board of elections under section 3503.19 of the Revised Code, with the voter's name and current address but does have one of these forms of identification and did not execute an affirmation stating that the voter has a religious objection to being photographed. 1215
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The provisional voter must provide ~~one of the foregoing items of a~~ 1225
photo identification to the board of elections or execute such an 1226
affirmation within ten days after the election. 1227~~

~~..... The provisional voter is not able to provide a current~~ 1228

~~and valid photo identification, a military identification, or a 1229
copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, 1230
paycheck, or other government document, other than a notice of an 1231
election mailed by a board of elections under section 3501.19 of 1232
the Revised Code or a notice of voter registration mailed by a 1233
board of elections under section 3503.19 of the Revised Code, with 1234
the voter's name and current address but does have one of these 1235
forms of identification. Additionally, the provisional voter does 1236
have a social security number but is not able to provide the last 1237
four digits of the voter's social security number before voting. 1238
The provisional voter must provide one of the foregoing items of 1239
identification or the last four digits of the voter's social 1240
security number to the board of elections within ten days after 1241
the election. 1242~~

~~..... The provisional voter does not have a current and valid 1243
photo identification, a military identification, a copy of a 1244
current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, 1245
or other government document with the voter's name and current 1246
address, or a social security number, but has executed an 1247
affirmation. 1248~~

..... The provisional voter does not have a ~~current and valid~~ 1249
photo identification, a ~~military identification~~, a copy of a 1250
current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, 1251
or other government document with the voter's name and current 1252
address, or a social security number, and has declined to execute 1253
executed an affirmation stating that the provisional voter has a 1254
religious objection to being photographed. 1255

~~..... The provisional voter declined to provide a current and 1256
valid photo identification, a military identification, a copy of a 1257
current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, 1258
or other government document with the voter's name and current 1259
address, or the last four digits of the voter's social security 1260~~

~~number but does have one of these forms of identification or a 1261
social security number. The provisional voter must provide one of 1262
the foregoing items of identification or the last four digits of 1263
the voter's social security number to the board of elections 1264
within ten days after the election. 1265~~

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(Signature of Election Official)" 1267

In addition to any information required to be included on the 1268
written affirmation, an individual casting a provisional ballot 1269
may provide additional information to the election official to 1270
assist the board of elections in determining the individual's 1271
eligibility to vote in that election, including the date and 1272
location at which the individual registered to vote, if known. 1273

If the individual declines to execute the affirmation, an 1274
appropriate local election official shall ~~comply with~~ record the 1275
individual's name and include that information with the 1276
transmission of the ballot under division (B)~~(6)~~(3) of section 1277
3505.181 of the Revised Code. 1278

Sec. 3505.183. (A) When the ballot boxes are delivered to the 1279
board of elections from the precincts, the board shall separate 1280
the provisional ballot envelopes from the rest of the ballots. 1281
Teams of employees of the board consisting of one member of each 1282
major political party shall place the sealed provisional ballot 1283
envelopes in a secure location within the office of the board. The 1284
sealed provisional ballot envelopes shall remain in that secure 1285
location until the validity of those ballots is determined under 1286
division (B) of this section. While the provisional ballot is 1287
stored in that secure location, and prior to the counting of the 1288
provisional ballots, if the board receives information regarding 1289
the validity of a specific provisional ballot under division (B) 1290
of this section, the board may note, on the sealed provisional 1291

ballot envelope for that ballot, whether the ballot is valid and 1292
entitled to be counted. 1293

(B)(1) To determine whether a provisional ballot is valid and 1294
entitled to be counted, the board shall examine its records and 1295
determine whether the individual who cast the provisional ballot 1296
is registered and eligible to vote in the applicable election. The 1297
board shall examine the information contained in the written 1298
affirmation executed by the individual who cast the provisional 1299
ballot under division (B)(2) of section 3505.181 of the Revised 1300
Code. If the individual declines to execute such an affirmation, 1301
the individual's name, written by either the individual or the 1302
election official at the direction of the individual, shall be 1303
included in a written affirmation in order for the provisional 1304
ballot to be eligible to be counted; otherwise, the following 1305
information shall be included in the written affirmation in order 1306
for the provisional ballot to be eligible to be counted: 1307

(a) The individual's name and signature; 1308

(b) A statement that the individual is a registered voter in 1309
the jurisdiction in which the provisional ballot is being voted; 1310

(c) A statement that the individual is eligible to vote in 1311
the election in which the provisional ballot is being voted. 1312

(2) In addition to the information required to be included in 1313
an affirmation under division (B)(1) of this section, in 1314
determining whether a provisional ballot is valid and entitled to 1315
be counted, the board also shall examine any additional 1316
information for determining ballot validity provided by the 1317
provisional voter on the affirmation, provided by the provisional 1318
voter to an election official under section 3505.182 of the 1319
Revised Code, or provided to the board of elections during the ten 1320
days after the day of the election under division (B)(8) of 1321
section 3505.181 of the Revised Code, to assist the board in 1322

determining the individual's eligibility to vote. 1323

(3) If, in examining a provisional ballot affirmation and 1324
additional information under divisions (B)(1) and (2) of this 1325
section, the board determines that all of the following apply, the 1326
provisional ballot envelope shall be opened, and the ballot shall 1327
be placed in a ballot box to be counted: 1328

(a) The individual named on the affirmation is properly 1329
registered to vote. 1330

(b) The individual named on the affirmation is eligible to 1331
cast a ballot in the precinct and for the election in which the 1332
individual cast the provisional ballot. 1333

(c) The individual provided all of the information required 1334
under division (B)(1) of this section in the affirmation that the 1335
individual executed at the time the individual cast the 1336
provisional ballot. 1337

(d) If applicable, the individual provided any additional 1338
information required under division (B)(8) of section 3505.181 of 1339
the Revised Code within ten days after the day of the election. 1340

(e) If applicable, the hearing conducted under division (B) 1341
of section 3503.24 of the Revised Code after the day of the 1342
election resulted in the individual's inclusion in the official 1343
registration list. 1344

(4)(a) If, in examining a provisional ballot affirmation and 1345
additional information under divisions (B)(1) and (2) of this 1346
section, the board determines that any of the following applies, 1347
the provisional ballot envelope shall not be opened, and the 1348
ballot shall not be counted: 1349

(i) The individual named on the affirmation is not qualified 1350
or is not properly registered to vote. 1351

(ii) The individual named on the affirmation is not eligible 1352

to cast a ballot in the precinct or for the election in which the individual cast the provisional ballot.

(iii) The individual did not provide all of the information required under division (B)(1) of this section in the affirmation that the individual executed at the time the individual cast the provisional ballot.

(iv) The individual has already cast a ballot for the election in which the individual cast the provisional ballot.

(v) If applicable, the individual did not provide any additional information required under division (B)(8) of section 3505.181 of the Revised Code within ten days after the day of the election.

(vi) If applicable, the hearing conducted under division (B) of section 3503.24 of the Revised Code after the day of the election did not result in the individual's inclusion in the official registration list.

(vii) The individual failed to provide a ~~current and valid~~ photo identification, ~~a military identification, a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document, other than a notice of an election mailed by a board of elections under section 3501.19 of the Revised Code or a notice of voter registration mailed by a board of elections under section 3503.19 of the Revised Code, with the voter's name and current address, or the last four digits of the individual's social security number~~ or to execute an affirmation under division (A)(2) of section 3505.18 or division (B) of section 3505.181 of the Revised Code.

(b) If, in examining a provisional ballot affirmation and additional information under divisions (B)(1) and (2) of this section, the board is unable to determine either of the following, the provisional ballot envelope shall not be opened, and the

ballot shall not be counted: 1384

(i) Whether the individual named on the affirmation is 1385
qualified or properly registered to vote; 1386

(ii) Whether the individual named on the affirmation is 1387
eligible to cast a ballot in the precinct or for the election in 1388
which the individual cast the provisional ballot. 1389

(C)(1) For each provisional ballot rejected under division 1390
(B)(4) of this section, the board shall record the name of the 1391
provisional voter who cast the ballot, the identification number 1392
of the provisional ballot envelope, the names of the election 1393
officials who determined the validity of that ballot, the date and 1394
time that the determination was made, and the reason that the 1395
ballot was not counted. 1396

(2) Provisional ballots that are rejected under division 1397
(B)(4) of this section shall not be counted but shall be preserved 1398
in their provisional ballot envelopes unopened until the time 1399
provided by section 3505.31 of the Revised Code for the 1400
destruction of all other ballots used at the election for which 1401
ballots were provided, at which time they shall be destroyed. 1402

(D) Provisional ballots that the board determines are 1403
eligible to be counted under division (B)(3) of this section shall 1404
be counted in the same manner as provided for other ballots under 1405
section 3505.27 of the Revised Code. No provisional ballots shall 1406
be counted in a particular county until the board determines the 1407
eligibility to be counted of all provisional ballots cast in that 1408
county under division (B) of this section for that election. 1409
Observers, as provided in section 3505.21 of the Revised Code, may 1410
be present at all times that the board is determining the 1411
eligibility of provisional ballots to be counted and counting 1412
those provisional ballots determined to be eligible. No person 1413
shall recklessly disclose the count or any portion of the count of 1414

provisional ballots in such a manner as to jeopardize the secrecy 1415
of any individual ballot. 1416

(E)(1) Except as otherwise provided in division (E)(2) of 1417
this section, nothing in this section shall prevent a board of 1418
elections from examining provisional ballot affirmations and 1419
additional information under divisions (B)(1) and (2) of this 1420
section to determine the eligibility of provisional ballots to be 1421
counted during the ten days after the day of an election. 1422

(2) A board of elections shall not examine the provisional 1423
ballot affirmation and additional information under divisions 1424
(B)(1) and (2) of this section of any provisional ballot for which 1425
an election official has indicated under division (B)(7) of 1426
section 3505.181 of the Revised Code that additional information 1427
is required for the board of elections to determine the 1428
eligibility of the individual who cast that provisional ballot 1429
until the individual provides any information required under 1430
division (B)(8) of section 3505.181 of the Revised Code, until any 1431
hearing required to be conducted under section 3503.24 of the 1432
Revised Code with regard to the provisional voter is held, or 1433
until the eleventh day after the day of the election, whichever is 1434
earlier. 1435

Sec. 3509.03. Except as provided in section 3509.031 or 1436
division (B) of section 3509.08 of the Revised Code, any qualified 1437
elector desiring to vote absent voter's ballots at an election 1438
shall make written application for those ballots to the director 1439
of elections of the county in which the elector's voting residence 1440
is located. The application need not be in any particular form but 1441
shall contain all of the following: 1442

(A) The elector's name; 1443

(B) The elector's signature; 1444

(C) The address at which the elector is registered to vote;	1445
(D) The elector's date of birth;	1446
(E) One <u>The elector's photo identification, if the elector</u>	1447
<u>will be marking the absent voter's ballots in person at the board</u>	1448
<u>of elections or another voting location, or one of the following,</u>	1449
<u>if the elector will not be marking the ballots in person:</u>	1450
(1) The elector's driver's license number;	1451
(2) The last four digits of the elector's social security	1452
number;	1453
(3) A copy of the elector's current and valid photo	1454
identification, a copy of a military identification, or a copy of	1455
a current utility bill, bank statement, government check,	1456
paycheck, or other government document, other than a notice of an	1457
election mailed by a board of elections under section 3501.19 of	1458
the Revised Code or a notice of voter registration mailed by a	1459
board of elections under section 3503.19 of the Revised Code, that	1460
shows the name and address of the elector.	1461
(F) A statement identifying the election for which absent	1462
voter's ballots are requested;	1463
(G) A statement that the person requesting the ballots is a	1464
qualified elector;	1465
(H) If the request is for primary election ballots, the	1466
elector's party affiliation;	1467
(I) If the elector desires ballots to be mailed to the	1468
elector, the address to which those ballots shall be mailed.	1469
Each application for absent voter's ballots shall be	1470
delivered to the director not earlier than the first day of	1471
January of the year of the elections for which the absent voter's	1472
ballots are requested or not earlier than ninety days before the	1473
day of the election at which the ballots are to be voted,	1474

whichever is earlier, and not later than twelve noon of the third 1475
day before the day of the election at which the ballots are to be 1476
voted, or not later than the close of regular business hours on 1477
the day before the day of the election at which the ballots are to 1478
be voted if the application is delivered in person to the office 1479
of the board. 1480

Sec. 3509.031. (A) Any qualified elector who is a member of 1481
the organized militia called to active duty within the state and 1482
who will be unable to vote on election day on account of that 1483
active duty may make written application for absent voter's 1484
ballots to the director of elections for the county in which the 1485
elector's voting residence is located. The elector may personally 1486
deliver the application to the director or may mail it, send it by 1487
facsimile machine, or otherwise send it to the director. The 1488
application need not be in any particular form but shall contain 1489
all of the following: 1490

(1) The elector's name; 1491

(2) The elector's signature; 1492

(3) The address at which the elector is registered to vote; 1493

(4) The elector's date of birth; 1494

(5) ~~One~~ The elector's photo identification, if the elector 1495
will be marking the absent voter's ballots in person at the board 1496
of elections or another voting location, or one of the following, 1497
if the elector will not be marking the ballots in person: 1498

(a) The elector's driver's license number; 1499

(b) The last four digits of the elector's social security 1500
number; 1501

(c) A copy of the elector's ~~current and valid~~ photo 1502
~~identification, a copy of a military identification,~~ or a copy of 1503
a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, 1504

paycheck, or other government document, other than a ~~notice of an~~ 1505
~~election mailed by a board of elections under section 3501.19 of~~ 1506
~~the Revised Code or~~ a notice of voter registration mailed by a 1507
board of elections under section 3503.19 of the Revised Code, that 1508
shows the name and address of the elector. 1509

(6) A statement identifying the election for which absent 1510
voter's ballots are requested; 1511

(7) A statement that the person requesting the ballots is a 1512
qualified elector; 1513

(8) A statement that the elector is a member of the organized 1514
militia serving on active duty within the state; 1515

(9) If the request is for primary election ballots, the 1516
elector's party affiliation; 1517

(10) If the elector desires ballots to be mailed to the 1518
elector, the address to which those ballots shall be mailed; 1519

(11) If the elector desires ballots to be sent to the elector 1520
by facsimile machine, the telephone number to which they shall be 1521
so sent. 1522

(B) Application to have absent voter's ballots mailed or sent 1523
by facsimile machine to a qualified elector who is a member of the 1524
organized militia called to active duty within the state and who 1525
will be unable to vote on election day on account of that active 1526
duty may be made by the spouse of the militia member or the 1527
father, mother, father-in-law, mother-in-law, grandfather, 1528
grandmother, brother or sister of the whole blood or half blood, 1529
son, daughter, adopting parent, adopted child, stepparent, 1530
stepchild, uncle, aunt, nephew, or niece of the militia member. 1531
The application shall be in writing upon a blank form furnished 1532
only by the director. The form of the application shall be 1533
prescribed by the secretary of state. The director shall furnish 1534
that blank form to any of the relatives specified in this division 1535

desiring to make the application, only upon the request of such a relative in person at the office of the board or upon the written request of such a relative mailed to the office of the board. The application, subscribed and sworn to by the applicant, shall contain all of the following:

(1) The full name of the elector for whom ballots are requested;

(2) A statement that such person is a qualified elector in the county;

(3) The address at which the elector is registered to vote;

(4) The elector's date of birth;

(5) One of the following:

(a) The elector's driver's license number;

(b) The last four digits of the elector's social security number;

(c) A copy of the elector's ~~current and valid~~ photo identification, ~~a copy of a military identification,~~ or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document, other than ~~a notice of an election mailed by a board of elections under section 3501.19 of the Revised Code or~~ a notice of voter registration mailed by a board of elections under section 3503.19 of the Revised Code, that shows the name and address of the elector.

(6) A statement identifying the election for which absent voter's ballots are requested;

(7) A statement that the elector is a member of the organized militia serving on active duty within the state;

(8) If the request is for primary election ballots, the elector's party affiliation;

(9) A statement that the applicant bears a relationship to the elector as specified in division (B) of this section;

(10) The address to which ballots shall be mailed or telephone number to which ballots shall be sent by facsimile machine;

(11) The signature and address of the person making the application.

(C) Applications to have absent voter's ballots mailed or sent by facsimile machine shall not be valid if dated, postmarked, or received by the director prior to the ninetieth day before the day of the election for which ballots are requested or if delivered to the director later than twelve noon of the third day preceding the day of such election. If, after the ninetieth day and before four p.m. of the day before the day of an election, a valid application for absent voter's ballots is delivered to the director of elections at the office of the board by a militia member making application in the militia member's own behalf, the director shall forthwith deliver to the militia member all absent voter's ballots then ready for use, together with an identification envelope. The militia member shall then vote the absent voter's ballots in the manner provided in section 3509.05 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3509.04. (A) If a director of a board of elections receives an application for absent voter's ballots that does not contain all of the required information, the director promptly shall notify the applicant of the additional information required to be provided by the applicant to complete that application.

(B) Upon receipt by the director of elections of an application for absent voter's ballots that contains all of the required information, as provided by sections 3509.03 and 3509.031 and division (G) of section 3503.16 of the Revised Code, the

director, if the director finds that the applicant is a qualified 1596
elector, shall deliver to the applicant in person or mail directly 1597
to the applicant by special delivery mail, air mail, or regular 1598
mail, postage prepaid, proper absent voter's ballots. The director 1599
shall deliver or mail with the ballots an unsealed identification 1600
envelope upon the face of which shall be printed a form 1601
substantially as follows: 1602

"Identification Envelope Statement of Voter 1603

I,(Name of voter), declare under 1604
penalty of election falsification that the within ballot or 1605
ballots contained no voting marks of any kind when I received 1606
them, and I caused the ballot or ballots to be marked, enclosed in 1607
the identification envelope, and sealed in that envelope. 1608

My voting residence in Ohio is 1609

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(Street and Number, if any, or Rural Route and Number) 1611

of (City, Village, or Township) 1612

Ohio, which is in Ward Precinct 1613

in that city, village, or township. 1614

The primary election ballots, if any, within this envelope 1615
are primary election ballots of the Party. 1616

Ballots contained within this envelope are to be voted at the 1617
..... (general, special, or primary) election to be held on 1618
the day of, 1619

My date of birth is (Month and Day), 1620
..... (Year). 1621

~~Voter must provide If I am marking these ballots in~~ 1622
~~person at the board of elections or another voting location, I~~ 1623
~~have provided photo identification to the election officials.~~ 1624

..... If I am marking these ballots other than in person, I 1625

have provided one of the following:→ 1626

My driver's license number is (Driver's license number). 1627
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The last four digits of my Social Security Number are (Last four digits of Social Security Number). 1629
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..... In lieu of providing a driver's license number or the last four digits of my Social Security Number, I am enclosing a copy of one of the following in the return envelope in which this identification envelope will be mailed: a ~~current and valid~~ photo identification, ~~a military identification,~~ or a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document, other than ~~a notice of an election mailed by a board of elections under section 3501.19 of the Revised Code or~~ a notice of voter registration mailed by a board of elections, that shows my name and address. 1631
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I hereby declare, under penalty of election falsification, that the statements above are true, as I verily believe. 1641
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(Signature of Voter) 1643
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The director shall mail with the ballots and the unsealed identification envelope an unsealed return envelope upon the face of which shall be printed the official title and post-office address of the director. In the upper left corner on the face of the return envelope, several blank lines shall be printed upon which the voter may write the voter's name and return address. The return envelope shall be of such size that the identification envelope can be conveniently placed within it for returning the identification envelope to the director. 1647
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Sec. 3509.05. (A) When an elector receives an absent voter's 1656
ballot pursuant to the elector's application or request, the 1657
elector shall, before placing any marks on the ballot, note 1658
whether there are any voting marks on it. If there are any voting 1659
marks, the ballot shall be returned immediately to the board of 1660
elections; otherwise, the elector shall cause the ballot to be 1661
marked, folded in a manner that the stub on it and the 1662
indorsements and facsimile signatures of the members of the board 1663
of elections on the back of it are visible, and placed and sealed 1664
within the identification envelope received from the director of 1665
elections for that purpose. Then, the elector shall cause the 1666
statement of voter on the outside of the identification envelope 1667
to be completed and signed, under penalty of election 1668
falsification. 1669

If the elector ~~does not~~ is marking the absent voter's ballots 1670
in person at the board of elections or another voting location, 1671
the elector shall provide photo identification to the election 1672
officials, or the elector may execute an affirmation under 1673
division (A)(2) of section 3305.18 of the Revised Code stating 1674
that the elector has a religious objection to being photographed 1675
and cast a provisional ballot under section 3505.181 of the 1676
Revised Code. If the elector is not marking the absent voter's 1677
ballots in person, the elector shall provide the elector's 1678
driver's license number or the last four digits of the elector's 1679
social security number on the statement of voter on the 1680
identification envelope, or the elector ~~also~~ shall include in the 1681
return envelope with the identification envelope a copy of the 1682
elector's ~~current valid~~ photo identification, ~~a copy of a military~~ 1683
~~identification,~~ or a copy of a current utility bill, bank 1684
statement, government check, paycheck, or other government 1685
document, other than ~~a notice of an election mailed by a board of~~ 1686
~~elections under section 3501.19 of the Revised Code or~~ a notice of 1687

voter registration mailed by a board of elections under section 1688
3503.19 of the Revised Code, that shows the name and address of 1689
the elector. 1690

The elector shall mail the identification envelope to the 1691
director from whom it was received in the return envelope, postage 1692
prepaid, or the elector may personally deliver it to the director, 1693
or the spouse of the elector, the father, mother, father-in-law, 1694
mother-in-law, grandfather, grandmother, brother, or sister of the 1695
whole or half blood, or the son, daughter, adopting parent, 1696
adopted child, stepparent, stepchild, uncle, aunt, nephew, or 1697
niece of the elector may deliver it to the director. The return 1698
envelope shall be transmitted to the director in no other manner, 1699
except as provided in section 3509.08 of the Revised Code. 1700

When absent voter's ballots are delivered to an elector at 1701
the office of the board, the elector may retire to a voting 1702
compartment provided by the board and there mark the ballots. 1703
Thereupon, the elector shall fold them, place them in the 1704
identification envelope provided, seal the envelope, fill in and 1705
sign the statement on the envelope under penalty of election 1706
falsification, and deliver the envelope to the director of the 1707
board. 1708

Except as otherwise provided in division (B) of this section, 1709
all other envelopes containing marked absent voter's ballots shall 1710
be delivered to the director not later than the close of the polls 1711
on the day of an election. Absent voter's ballots delivered to the 1712
director later than the times specified shall not be counted, but 1713
shall be kept by the board in the sealed identification envelopes 1714
in which they are delivered to the director, until the time 1715
provided by section 3505.31 of the Revised Code for the 1716
destruction of all other ballots used at the election for which 1717
ballots were provided, at which time they shall be destroyed. 1718

(B)(1) Except as otherwise provided in division (B)(2) of 1719

this section, any return envelope that is postmarked prior to the 1720
day of the election shall be delivered to the director prior to 1721
the eleventh day after the election. Ballots delivered in 1722
envelopes postmarked prior to the day of the election that are 1723
received after the close of the polls on election day through the 1724
tenth day thereafter shall be counted on the eleventh day at the 1725
board of elections in the manner provided in divisions (C) and (D) 1726
of section 3509.06 of the Revised Code. Any such ballots that are 1727
received by the director later than the tenth day following the 1728
election shall not be counted, but shall be kept by the board in 1729
the sealed identification envelopes as provided in division (A) of 1730
this section. 1731

(2) Division (B)(1) of this section shall not apply to any 1732
mail that is postmarked using a postage evidencing system, 1733
including a postage meter, as defined in 39 C.F.R. 501.1. 1734

Sec. 3511.02. Notwithstanding any section of the Revised Code 1735
to the contrary, whenever any person applies for registration as a 1736
voter on a form adopted in accordance with federal regulations 1737
relating to the "Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting 1738
Act," 100 Stat. 924, 42 U.S.C.A. 1973ff (1986), this application 1739
shall be sufficient for voter registration and as a request for an 1740
absent voter's ballot. Uniformed services or overseas absent 1741
voter's ballots may be obtained by any person meeting the 1742
requirements of section 3511.01 of the Revised Code by applying 1743
electronically to the secretary of state or to the board of 1744
elections of the county in which the person's voting residence is 1745
located in accordance with section 3511.021 of the Revised Code or 1746
by applying to the director of the board of elections of the 1747
county in which the person's voting residence is located, in one 1748
of the following ways: 1749

(A) That person may make written application for those 1750

ballots. The person may personally deliver the application to the director or may mail it, send it by facsimile machine, or otherwise send it to the director. The application need not be in any particular form but shall contain all of the following information:

(1) The elector's name;

(2) The elector's signature;

(3) The address at which the elector is registered to vote;

(4) The elector's date of birth;

(5) ~~One~~ The elector's photo identification, if the elector will be marking the absent voter's ballots in person at the board of elections or another voting location, or one of the following, if the elector will not be marking the ballots in person:

(a) The elector's driver's license number;

(b) The last four digits of the elector's social security number;

(c) A copy of the elector's ~~current and valid~~ photo identification, ~~a copy of a military identification,~~ or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document, other than ~~a notice of an election mailed by a board of elections under section 3501.19 of the Revised Code or~~ a notice of voter registration mailed by a board of elections under section 3503.19 of the Revised Code, that shows the name and address of the elector.

(6) A statement identifying the election for which absent voter's ballots are requested;

(7) A statement that the person requesting the ballots is a qualified elector;

(8) A statement that the elector is an absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1973ff-6;

(9) A statement of the elector's length of residence in the state immediately preceding the commencement of service, immediately preceding the date of leaving to be with or near the service member, or immediately preceding leaving the United States, whichever is applicable;

(10) If the request is for primary election ballots, the elector's party affiliation;

(11) If the elector desires ballots to be mailed to the elector, the address to which those ballots shall be mailed;

(12) If the elector desires ballots to be sent to the elector by facsimile machine, the telephone number to which they shall be so sent.

(B) A voter or any relative of a voter listed in division (C) of this section may use a single federal post card application to apply for uniformed services or overseas absent voter's ballots for use at the primary and general elections in a given year and any special election to be held on the day in that year specified by division (E) of section 3501.01 of the Revised Code for the holding of a primary election, designated by the general assembly for the purpose of submitting constitutional amendments proposed by the general assembly to the voters of the state. A single federal postcard application shall be processed by the board of elections pursuant to section 3511.04 of the Revised Code the same as if the voter had applied separately for uniformed services or overseas absent voter's ballots for each election.

(C) Application to have uniformed services or overseas absent voter's ballots mailed or sent by facsimile machine to such a person may be made by the spouse, father, mother, father-in-law, mother-in-law, grandfather, grandmother, brother or sister of the whole blood or half blood, son, daughter, adopting parent, adopted child, stepparent, stepchild, uncle, aunt, nephew, or niece of

such a person. The application shall be in writing upon a blank 1812
form furnished only by the director or on a single federal post 1813
card as provided in division (B) of this section. The form of the 1814
application shall be prescribed by the secretary of state. The 1815
director shall furnish that blank form to any of the relatives 1816
specified in this division desiring to make the application, only 1817
upon the request of such a relative made in person at the office 1818
of the board or upon the written request of such a relative mailed 1819
to the office of the board. The application, subscribed and sworn 1820
to by the applicant, shall contain all of the following: 1821

(1) The full name of the elector for whom ballots are 1822
requested; 1823

(2) A statement that the elector is an absent uniformed 1824
services voter or overseas voter as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1973ff-6; 1825

(3) The address at which the elector is registered to vote; 1826

(4) A statement identifying the elector's length of residence 1827
in the state immediately preceding the commencement of service, 1828
immediately preceding the date of leaving to be with or near a 1829
service member, or immediately preceding leaving the United 1830
States, as the case may be; 1831

(5) The elector's date of birth; 1832

(6) One of the following: 1833

(a) The elector's driver's license number; 1834

(b) The last four digits of the elector's social security 1835
number; 1836

(c) A copy of the elector's ~~current and valid~~ photo 1837
~~identification, a copy of a military identification,~~ or a copy of 1838
a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, 1839
paycheck, or other government document, other than ~~a notice of an~~ 1840
~~election mailed by a board of elections under section 3501.19 of~~ 1841

~~the Revised Code~~ or a notice of voter registration mailed by a board of elections under section 3503.19 of the Revised Code, that shows the name and address of the elector.

(7) A statement identifying the election for which absent voter's ballots are requested;

(8) A statement that the person requesting the ballots is a qualified elector;

(9) If the request is for primary election ballots, the elector's party affiliation;

(10) A statement that the applicant bears a relationship to the elector as specified in division (C) of this section;

(11) The address to which ballots shall be mailed or the telephone number to which ballots shall be sent by facsimile machine;

(12) The signature and address of the person making the application.

Each application for uniformed services or overseas absent voter's ballots shall be delivered to the director not earlier than the first day of January of the year of the elections for which the uniformed services or overseas absent voter's ballots are requested or not earlier than ninety days before the day of the election at which the ballots are to be voted, whichever is earlier, and not later than twelve noon of the third day preceding the day of the election, or not later than the close of regular business hours on the day before the day of the election at which those ballots are to be voted if the application is delivered in person to the office of the board.

(D) If the voter for whom the application is made is entitled to vote for presidential and vice-presidential electors only, the applicant shall submit to the director in addition to the

requirements of divisions (A), (B), and (C) of this section, a 1872
statement to the effect that the voter is qualified to vote for 1873
presidential and vice-presidential electors and for no other 1874
offices. 1875

Sec. 3511.05. (A) The director of the board of elections 1876
shall place uniformed services or overseas absent voter's ballots 1877
sent by mail in an unsealed identification envelope, gummed ready 1878
for sealing. The director shall include with uniformed services or 1879
overseas absent voter's ballots sent electronically, including by 1880
facsimile machine, an instruction sheet for preparing a gummed 1881
envelope in which the ballots shall be returned. The envelope for 1882
returning ballots sent by either means shall have printed or 1883
written on its face a form substantially as follows: 1884

"Identification Envelope Statement of Voter 1885

I,(Name of voter), declare under 1886
penalty of election falsification that the within ballot or 1887
ballots contained no voting marks of any kind when I received 1888
them, and I caused the ballot or ballots to be marked, enclosed in 1889
the identification envelope, and sealed in that envelope. 1890

My voting residence in Ohio is 1891

..... 1892

(Street and Number, if any, or Rural Route and Number) 1893

of (City, Village, or Township) 1894

Ohio, which is in Ward Precinct 1895

in that city, village, or township. 1896

The primary election ballots, if any, within this envelope 1897

are primary election ballots of the Party. 1898

Ballots contained within this envelope are to be voted at the 1899

..... (general, special, or primary) election to be held on 1900

the day of, 1901

My date of birth is (Month and Day), 1902
..... (Year). 1903

~~(Voter must provideIf I am marking these ballots in~~ 1904
~~person at the board of elections or another voting location, I~~ 1905
~~have provided photo identification to the election officials.~~ 1906

.....If I am marking these ballots other than in person, I 1907
have provided one of the following:→ 1908

My driver's license number is (Driver's 1909
license number). 1910

The last four digits of my Social Security Number are 1911
..... (Last four digits of Social Security Number). 1912

..... In lieu of providing a driver's license number or the 1913
last four digits of my Social Security Number, I am enclosing a 1914
copy of one of the following in the return envelope in which this 1915
identification envelope will be mailed: a ~~current and valid~~ photo 1916
~~identification, a military identification,~~ or a current utility 1917
bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other 1918
government document, other than a ~~notice of an election mailed by~~ 1919
~~a board of elections under section 3501.19 of the Revised Code or~~ 1920
a notice of voter registration mailed by a board of elections, 1921
that shows my name and address. 1922

I hereby declare, under penalty of election falsification, 1923
that the statements above are true, as I verily believe. 1924

..... 1925

(Signature of Voter) 1926

WHOEVER COMMITS ELECTION FALSIFICATION IS GUILTY OF A FELONY OF 1927
THE FIFTH DEGREE." 1928

(B) The director shall also mail with the ballots and the 1929
unsealed identification envelope sent by mail an unsealed return 1930
envelope, gummed, ready for sealing, for use by the voter in 1931

returning the voter's marked ballots to the director. The director 1932
shall send with the ballots and the instruction sheet for 1933
preparing a gummed envelope sent electronically, including by 1934
facsimile machine, an instruction sheet for preparing a second 1935
gummed envelope as described in this division, for use by the 1936
voter in returning that voter's marked ballots to the director. 1937
The return envelope shall have two parallel lines, each one 1938
quarter of an inch in width, printed across its face paralleling 1939
the top, with an intervening space of one quarter of an inch 1940
between such lines. The top line shall be one and one-quarter 1941
inches from the top of the envelope. Between the parallel lines 1942
shall be printed: "OFFICIAL ELECTION UNIFORMED SERVICES OR 1943
OVERSEAS ABSENT VOTER'S BALLOTS -- VIA AIR MAIL." Three blank 1944
lines shall be printed in the upper left corner on the face of the 1945
envelope for the use by the voter in placing the voter's complete 1946
military, naval, or mailing address on these lines, and beneath 1947
these lines there shall be printed a box beside the words "check 1948
if out-of-country." The voter shall check this box if the voter 1949
will be outside the United States on the day of the election. The 1950
official title and the post-office address of the director to whom 1951
the envelope shall be returned shall be printed on the face of 1952
such envelope in the lower right portion below the bottom parallel 1953
line. 1954

(C) On the back of each identification envelope and each 1955
return envelope shall be printed the following: 1956

"Instructions to voter: 1957

If the flap on this envelope is so firmly stuck to the back 1958
of the envelope when received by you as to require forcible 1959
opening in order to use it, open the envelope in the manner least 1960
injurious to it, and, after marking your ballots and enclosing 1961
same in the envelope for mailing them to the director of the board 1962
of elections, reclose the envelope in the most practicable way, by 1963

sealing or otherwise, and sign the blank form printed below. 1964

The flap on this envelope was firmly stuck to the back of the 1965
envelope when received, and required forced opening before sealing 1966
and mailing. 1967

..... 1968
(Signature of voter)" 1969

(D) Division (C) of this section does not apply when absent 1970
voter's ballots are sent electronically, including by facsimile 1971
machine. 1972

Sec. 3511.09. Upon receiving uniformed services or overseas 1973
absent voter's ballots, the elector shall cause the questions on 1974
the face of the identification envelope to be answered, and, by 1975
writing the elector's usual signature in the proper place on the 1976
identification envelope, the elector shall declare under penalty 1977
of election falsification that the answers to those questions are 1978
true and correct to the best of the elector's knowledge and 1979
belief. Then, the elector shall note whether there are any voting 1980
marks on the ballot. If there are any voting marks, the ballot 1981
shall be returned immediately to the board of elections; 1982
otherwise, the elector shall cause the ballot to be marked, folded 1983
separately so as to conceal the markings on it, deposited in the 1984
identification envelope, and securely sealed in the identification 1985
envelope. The elector then shall cause the identification envelope 1986
to be placed within the return envelope, sealed in the return 1987
envelope, and mailed to the director of the board of elections to 1988
whom it is addressed. If the elector ~~does not~~ is marking the 1989
absent voter's ballots in person at the board of elections or 1990
another voting location, the elector shall provide photo 1991
identification to the election officials, or the elector may 1992
execute an affirmation under division (A)(2) of section 3505.18 of 1993
the Revised Code stating that the elector has a religious 1994

objection to being photographed and cast a provisional ballot 1995
under section 3505.181 of the Revised Code. If the elector is not 1996
marking the absent voter's ballots in person, the elector shall 1997
provide the elector's driver's license number or the last four 1998
digits of the elector's social security number on the statement of 1999
voter on the identification envelope, or the elector ~~also~~ shall 2000
include in the return envelope with the identification envelope a 2001
copy of the elector's ~~current valid~~ photo identification, ~~a copy~~ 2002
~~of a military identification,~~ or a copy of a current utility bill, 2003
bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government 2004
document, other than ~~a notice of an election mailed by a board of~~ 2005
~~elections under section 3501.19 of the Revised Code or~~ a notice of 2006
voter registration mailed by a board of elections under section 2007
3503.19 of the Revised Code, that shows the name and address of 2008
the elector. Each elector who will be outside the United States on 2009
the day of the election shall check the box on the return envelope 2010
indicating this fact and shall mail the return envelope to the 2011
director prior to the close of the polls on election day. 2012

Every uniformed services or overseas absent voter's ballot 2013
identification envelope shall be accompanied by the following 2014
statement in boldface capital letters: WHOEVER COMMITS ELECTION 2015
FALSIFICATION IS GUILTY OF A FELONY OF THE FIFTH DEGREE. 2016

Sec. 4507.50. (A) The registrar of motor vehicles or a deputy 2017
registrar, upon receipt of an application filed in compliance with 2018
section 4507.51 of the Revised Code by any person who is a 2019
resident or a temporary resident of this state and, except as 2020
otherwise provided in this section, is not licensed as an operator 2021
of a motor vehicle in this state or another licensing 2022
jurisdiction, and, except as provided in ~~division~~ divisions (B) 2023
and (C) of this section, upon receipt of a fee of three dollars 2024
and fifty cents, shall issue an identification card to that 2025
person. 2026

Any person who is a resident or temporary resident of this 2027
state whose Ohio driver's or commercial driver's license has been 2028
suspended or canceled, upon application in compliance with section 2029
4507.51 of the Revised Code and, except as provided in division 2030
(B) of this section, payment of a fee of three dollars and fifty 2031
cents, may be issued a temporary identification card. The 2032
temporary identification card shall be identical to an 2033
identification card, except that it shall be printed on its face 2034
with a statement that the card is valid during the effective dates 2035
of the suspension or cancellation of the cardholder's license, or 2036
until the birthday of the cardholder in the fourth year after the 2037
date on which it is issued, whichever is shorter. The cardholder 2038
shall surrender the identification card to the registrar or any 2039
deputy registrar before the cardholder's driver's or commercial 2040
driver's license is restored or reissued. 2041

Except as provided in ~~division~~ divisions (B) and (C) of this 2042
section, the deputy registrar shall be allowed a fee of two 2043
dollars and seventy-five cents commencing on July 1, 2001, three 2044
dollars and twenty-five cents commencing on January 1, 2003, and 2045
three dollars and fifty cents commencing on January 1, 2004, for 2046
each identification card issued under this section. The fee 2047
allowed to the deputy registrar shall be in addition to the fee 2048
for issuing an identification card. 2049

Neither the registrar nor any deputy registrar shall charge a 2050
fee in excess of one dollar and fifty cents for laminating an 2051
identification card or temporary identification card. A deputy 2052
registrar laminating such a card shall retain the entire amount of 2053
the fee charged for lamination, less the actual cost to the 2054
registrar of the laminating materials used for that lamination, as 2055
specified in the contract executed by the bureau for the 2056
laminating materials and laminating equipment. The deputy 2057
registrar shall forward the amount of the cost of the laminating 2058

materials to the registrar for deposit as provided in this 2059
section. 2060

The fee collected for issuing an identification card under 2061
this section, except the fee allowed to the deputy registrar, 2062
shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the state 2063
bureau of motor vehicles fund created in section 4501.25 of the 2064
Revised Code. 2065

(B) A disabled veteran who has a service-connected disability 2066
rated at one hundred per cent by the veterans' administration may 2067
apply to the registrar or a deputy registrar for the issuance to 2068
that veteran of an identification card or a temporary 2069
identification card under this section without payment of any fee 2070
prescribed in division (A) of this section, including any 2071
lamination fee. 2072

An application made under division (B) of this section shall 2073
be accompanied by such documentary evidence of disability as the 2074
registrar may require by rule. 2075

(C) An individual who cannot afford to pay the fees 2076
prescribed in division (A) of this section, including any 2077
lamination fee, may apply to the registrar or a deputy registrar 2078
for the issuance to that individual of an identification card or a 2079
temporary identification card under this section without payment 2080
of any fee. 2081

The registrar shall, by rule, establish standards to 2082
determine whether individuals are able to pay the fees prescribed 2083
in division (A) of this section. An application made under 2084
division (C) of this section shall be accompanied by such 2085
documentary evidence of income and expenses as the registrar may 2086
require by rule, to determine the individual's ability to pay 2087
those fees. 2088

Sec. 4507.52. (A) Each identification card issued by the 2089
registrar of motor vehicles or a deputy registrar shall display a 2090
distinguishing number assigned to the cardholder, and shall 2091
display the following inscription: 2092

"STATE OF OHIO IDENTIFICATION CARD 2093

This card is not valid for the purpose of operating a motor 2094
vehicle. It is provided solely for the purpose of establishing the 2095
identity of the bearer described on the card, who currently is not 2096
licensed to operate a motor vehicle in the state of Ohio." 2097

The identification card shall display substantially the same 2098
information as contained in the application and as described in 2099
division (A)(1) of section 4507.51 of the Revised Code, but shall 2100
not display the cardholder's social security number unless the 2101
cardholder specifically requests that the cardholder's social 2102
security number be displayed on the card. If federal law requires 2103
the cardholder's social security number to be displayed on the 2104
identification card, the social security number shall be displayed 2105
on the card notwithstanding this section. The identification card 2106
also shall display the color photograph of the cardholder. If the 2107
cardholder has executed a durable power of attorney for health 2108
care or a declaration governing the use or continuation, or the 2109
withholding or withdrawal, of life-sustaining treatment and has 2110
specified that the cardholder wishes the identification card to 2111
indicate that the cardholder has executed either type of 2112
instrument, the card also shall display any symbol chosen by the 2113
registrar to indicate that the cardholder has executed either type 2114
of instrument. On and after October 7, 2009, if the cardholder has 2115
specified that the cardholder wishes the identification card to 2116
indicate that the cardholder is a veteran, active duty, or 2117
reservist of the armed forces of the United States and has 2118
presented a copy of the cardholder's DD-214 form or an equivalent 2119
document, the card also shall display any symbol chosen by the 2120

registrar to indicate that the cardholder is a veteran, active 2121
duty, or reservist of the armed forces of the United States. The 2122
card shall be sealed in transparent plastic or similar material 2123
and shall be so designed as to prevent its reproduction or 2124
alteration without ready detection. 2125

The identification card for persons under twenty-one years of 2126
age shall have characteristics prescribed by the registrar 2127
distinguishing it from that issued to a person who is twenty-one 2128
years of age or older, except that an identification card issued 2129
to a person who applies no more than thirty days before the 2130
applicant's twenty-first birthday shall have the characteristics 2131
of an identification card issued to a person who is twenty-one 2132
years of age or older. 2133

Every identification card issued to a resident of this state 2134
shall expire, unless canceled or surrendered earlier, on the 2135
birthday of the cardholder in the fourth year after the date on 2136
which it is issued. Every identification card issued to a 2137
temporary resident shall expire in accordance with rules adopted 2138
by the registrar and is nonrenewable, but may be replaced with a 2139
new identification card upon the applicant's compliance with all 2140
applicable requirements. A cardholder may renew the cardholder's 2141
identification card within ninety days prior to the day on which 2142
it expires by filing an application and paying the prescribed fee 2143
in accordance with section 4507.50 of the Revised Code. 2144

If a cardholder applies for a driver's or commercial driver's 2145
license in this state or another licensing jurisdiction, the 2146
cardholder shall surrender the cardholder's identification card to 2147
the registrar or any deputy registrar before the license is 2148
issued. 2149

(B) If a card is lost, destroyed, or mutilated, the person to 2150
whom the card was issued may obtain a duplicate by doing both of 2151
the following: 2152

(1) Furnishing suitable proof of the loss, destruction, or 2153
mutilation to the registrar or a deputy registrar; 2154

(2) Filing an application and presenting documentary evidence 2155
under section 4507.51 of the Revised Code. 2156

Any person who loses a card and, after obtaining a duplicate, 2157
finds the original, immediately shall surrender the original to 2158
the registrar or a deputy registrar. 2159

A cardholder may obtain a replacement identification card 2160
that reflects any change of the cardholder's name by furnishing 2161
suitable proof of the change to the registrar or a deputy 2162
registrar and surrendering the cardholder's existing card. 2163

When a cardholder applies for a duplicate or obtains a 2164
replacement identification card, the cardholder shall pay a fee of 2165
two dollars and fifty cents. A deputy registrar shall be allowed 2166
an additional fee of two dollars and seventy-five cents commencing 2167
on July 1, 2001, three dollars and twenty-five cents commencing on 2168
January 1, 2003, and three dollars and fifty cents commencing on 2169
January 1, 2004, for issuing a duplicate or replacement 2170
identification card. A disabled veteran who is a cardholder and 2171
has a service-connected disability rated at one hundred per cent 2172
by the veterans' administration may apply to the registrar or a 2173
deputy registrar for the issuance of a duplicate or replacement 2174
identification card without payment of any fee prescribed in this 2175
section, and without payment of any lamination fee if the disabled 2176
veteran would not be required to pay a lamination fee in 2177
connection with the issuance of an identification card or 2178
temporary identification card as provided in division (B) of 2179
section 4507.50 of the Revised Code. An individual who is a 2180
cardholder and who applied for and received that card under 2181
division (C) of section 4507.50 of the Revised Code may apply to 2182
the registrar or a deputy registrar for the issuance of a 2183
duplicate or replacement identification card without payment of 2184

any fee prescribed in this section, and without payment of any 2185
lamination fee if the individual would not be required to pay a 2186
lamination fee in connection with the issuance of an 2187
identification card or temporary identification card as provided 2188
in division (C) of section 4507.50 of the Revised Code. 2189

A duplicate or replacement identification card shall expire 2190
on the same date as the card it replaces. 2191

(C) The registrar shall cancel any card upon determining that 2192
the card was obtained unlawfully, issued in error, or was altered. 2193
The registrar also shall cancel any card that is surrendered to 2194
the registrar or to a deputy registrar after the holder has 2195
obtained a duplicate, replacement, or driver's or commercial 2196
driver's license. 2197

(D)(1) No agent of the state or its political subdivisions 2198
shall condition the granting of any benefit, service, right, or 2199
privilege upon the possession by any person of an identification 2200
card. Nothing in this section shall preclude any publicly operated 2201
or franchised transit system from using an identification card for 2202
the purpose of granting benefits or services of the system. 2203

(2) No person shall be required to apply for, carry, or 2204
possess an identification card. 2205

(E) Except in regard to an identification card issued to a 2206
person who applies no more than thirty days before the applicant's 2207
twenty-first birthday, neither the registrar nor any deputy 2208
registrar shall issue an identification card to a person under 2209
twenty-one years of age that does not have the characteristics 2210
prescribed by the registrar distinguishing it from the 2211
identification card issued to persons who are twenty-one years of 2212
age or older. 2213

(F) Whoever violates division (E) of this section is guilty 2214
of a minor misdemeanor. 2215

Section 2. That existing sections 3501.01, 3503.14, 3503.16,	2216
3503.19, 3503.28, 3505.18, 3505.181, 3505.182, 3505.183, 3509.03,	2217
3509.031, 3509.04, 3509.05, 3511.02, 3511.05, 3511.09, 4507.50,	2218
and 4507.52 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.	2219