

I oppose HB 2681, relating to inactive voters, prescribing an effective date.

This would restore all inactive voters to the rolls, and it would never clean up voter rolls from inactive voters.

People registered at Oregon colleges and universities would never have their voter record updated from the dorms. Apartment dwellers and other renters would have numerous ballots delivered to current residents from the previous residents for this time forward, every election. Dead people will continue to vote.

People often do not notify the Elections Division of their move out of state. New people at that address do not always notify the Elections Division that the person is no longer living there.

This vastly increases potential for election fraud through unauthorized voting. It increases the expenses for mail-in voting. It discloses protected voter status, by delivering mail to an address that is no longer valid for the person.

According to the List Maintenance from the EAC Election Assistance <https://www.eac.gov/news/2017/03/10/fact-sheet-voter-registration-list-maintenance>

"Why is voter registration list maintenance important? Maintaining accurate voter registration lists is essential to protecting election integrity. Americans deserve an election system that produces an accurate result based on each eligible voter casting a single ballot in their proper jurisdiction. Maintaining an accurate voting roll enfranchises voters because it lowers the likelihood of lines at the polls, reduces voter confusion and decreases the number of provisional ballots. Updated records also allow election administrators to plan, to better manage their budget and poll workers, and to improve voter experience."

"What is the National Voter Registration Act (NVRA)?"

"Commonly referred to as the "motor voter" law because it contained provisions about voter registration at local DMV offices, the NVRA provides guidance for when a state may remove the name of a voter from a list. The 2014 Election Administration and Voting Survey found that states removed over 14.8 million voters from voter registration lists that election cycle. The NVRA allows states to remove voters who have not voted in two consecutive federal general elections and failed to respond to a confirmation notice from an elections office. Other reasons for removal include death, felony conviction, having moved from one jurisdiction to another, mental incompetence, or at the voter's request."

Please vote no on HB 2681.