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HOUSE BILL 663

49TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2009

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AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS; AMENDING THE VOTER RECORDS SYSTEM ACT;
REMOVING SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS AS A REQUIRED ELEMENT OF
INFORMATION FOR VOTER REGISTRATION; REQUIRING THAT CERTAIN
INFORMATION BE PROVIDED UPON MAKING A REQUEST FOR A SOCIAL
SECURITY NUMBER.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. ~~[NEW MATERIAL]~~ SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER AS A
FORM OF IDENTIFICATION.--

A. A state agency, instrumentality of the state or
local government shall not require an individual to provide a
social security number unless such request is in conformance
with state and federal law.

B. Upon making a request for a social security
number pursuant to Subsection A of this section, the state

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1 agency, instrumentality of the state or local government shall
2 inform the individual whether the provision of a social
3 security number is voluntary or mandatory, shall identify the
4 statutory or legal basis for making the request and shall
5 describe what use will be made of the social security number.

6 Section 2. Section 1-5-19 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1969,
7 Chapter 240, Section 125, as amended) is amended to read:

8 "1-5-19. REGISTRATION--FORM.--

9 A. The secretary of state shall prescribe the form
10 and assure that the certificate of registration to be used in
11 any county is compatible with the data processing systems.

12 B. The certificate of registration form shall
13 require the following elements of information concerning the
14 applicant for registration: name, gender, residence,
15 municipality, post office, county of former registration,
16 [~~social security number~~] date of birth, political party
17 affiliation, zip code, telephone number at the applicant's
18 option and statement of qualification for voting.

19 C. Provision shall be made for the usual signature
20 or mark of the applicant, for the signature of the county clerk
21 and for the dates of such signatures.

22 D. The certificate form may be multipurpose by
23 providing for an indication of whether the certificate of
24 registration is for a new registration, a change in the
25 existing registration or a cancellation of an existing

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1 registration. Provision shall be made on any multipurpose form
2 for entry of any existing registered information for which a
3 change may be requested.

4 E. The certificate of registration forms shall be
5 serially numbered and shall be furnished promptly and in
6 adequate supply by the secretary of state upon application from
7 the county clerk."

8 Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
9 provisions of this act is July 1, 2009.