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Raised Bill No. 234

LCO No. 1768



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:
(GAE)

AN ACT CONCERNING VOTER PRIVACY PROTECTION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) (1) Voter registration
2 information maintained pursuant to title 9 of the general statutes by the
3 Secretary of the State or any registrar of voters shall not be used for any
4 commercial purpose, as determined by the Secretary of the State. As
5 used in this section, "commercial purpose" includes, but is not limited
6 to, (A) harassment of any voter or voter's household, (B) advertisement,
7 solicitation, sale or marketing of products or services to any voter or
8 voter's household, and (C) reproduction in print, audio or video
9 broadcast or display on the Internet or any computer terminal of such
10 voter registration information.

11 (2) Whenever such voter registration information is provided
12 pursuant to any provision of the general statutes, disclosure of a voter's
13 date of birth shall be limited to only the year of birth, unless such
14 information is being used for a governmental purpose, as determined
15 by the Secretary of the State.

16 (b) (1) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any
17 motor vehicle operator's license number, identity card number, Social
18 Security number and any other unique identifier used for the purpose
19 of generating a voter registration record or added to such record for
20 compliance with the requirements of the Help America Vote Act, P.L.
21 107-252, as amended from time to time, shall be confidential and shall
22 not be disclosed to any person.

23 (2) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the
24 signature of any voter on a voter registration record or any image of
25 such signature shall be confidential and shall not be disclosed, except
26 that an election, primary or referendum official shall permit a person to
27 view such signature for comparison with the signature on a voter
28 registration application, petition or any image of such application or
29 petition. Any signature viewed pursuant to this subdivision shall not be
30 copied.

31 (c) Any person or entity that obtains or uses voter registration
32 information, including the signature of a voter, not in accordance with
33 the provisions of this section shall be fined ten cents per voter
34 registration record for each offense.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To limit the availability of voter registration information to certain purposes and prohibit certain other uses of such information.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]