

## REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on **Elections** recommends **HB 2438** be amended on page 1, in line 14, after "website" by inserting "provides that"; in line 15, by striking all after "(1)"; by striking all in lines 16 through 22 and inserting "All registrant data transmitted through an online voter registration system shall be protected using encryption in transit;

(2) encryption protocols shall comply with applicable national institute of standards and technology (NIST) standards;

(3) registrant data shall be transmitted directly to systems owned, operated or contractually controlled by the applicable county election officer;

(4) online voter registration systems shall authenticate connections to ensure that registrant data is transmitted only to authorized government endpoints;

(5) the system shall provide confirmation to the registrant that the submission has been successfully received by the applicable county election officer;

(6) audit logs shall be maintained documenting submission receipt, system access and data transmission integrity;

(7) registrant data collected through an online voter registration system shall be used solely for voter registration and election administration purposes as authorized by law;

(8) registrant data shall not be sold, licensed, rented, transferred or used for commercial or nonelection-related purposes; and

(9) registrant data shall not be disclosed to any third party except:

(A) As required by state or federal law;

(B) to another county election officer or the secretary of state for official election administration purposes; or

(C) to a contractor acting exclusively on behalf of the county election officer and bound by written agreements requiring compliance with this regulation and applicable NIST standards.";

Also on page 1, in line 23, after "(c)" by inserting "(1) It shall be a violation of this section to register to vote through a website that is not compliant with subsection (a) or (b).

(2) Violations of this section shall be a class A nonperson misdemeanor."; also in line 23, by striking "On or before January 1, 2027," and inserting "(d)"; and the bill be passed as amended.

\_\_\_\_\_Chairperson