

**Adopted
SUBSTITUTE NO 1 FOR AMENDMENT NO 1 TO AMENDMENT NO 1
PROPOSED TO**

House Bill No. 1510

BY: Representative Powell

1 **AMEND** by inserting the following after line 506 and renumber
2 the succeeding sections:

3 " **SECTION 5.** The following shall be codified as Section
4 23-15-152, Mississippi Code of 1972:

5 23-15-152. (1) For the purposes of this section,
6 "confirmation notice" means a notice sent by the election
7 commissioners, by forwardable mail, with return postage prepaid,
8 on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State, to a registered
9 voter to confirm the registered voter's current address. The
10 notice shall comply with all applicable requirements of the
11 National Voter Registration Act of 1993.

12 (2) The election commissioners shall send a confirmation
13 notice to the following:



14 (a) A registered voter if it appears from the United
15 States Postal Service change-of-address information that the
16 registered voter has moved to a different residence;

17 (b) A registered voter if a county election
18 commissioner or county registrar has received notice from another
19 state, or political subdivision of another state, that the
20 registered voter has registered to vote in another state; and

21 (c) A registered voter if the registrar or election
22 commissioners have received reliable information that he or she
23 has moved within or outside of the state.

24 (3) The county election commissioners shall place any
25 registered voter who has been sent a confirmation notice on
26 inactive status in the Statewide Elections Management System. Any
27 registered voter who is placed on inactive status shall be unable
28 to cast a regular ballot on election day but shall be able to cast
29 an affidavit ballot as provided in Section 23-15-573.

30 (4) A registered voter "fails to respond to the confirmation
31 notice" if the voter, during a period of four (4) consecutive
32 years beginning from the date of the delivery of the confirmation
33 notice, fails to:

34 (a) Respond to the confirmation notice; or

35 (b) Update the elector's registration information.

36 The period of four (4) consecutive years beginning from the
37 date of the delivery of the confirmation notice required in
38 subsection (4) of this section shall include two (2) general



39 federal elections. A registered voter who votes at least once in
40 any election in the registered voter's county of registration
41 during the period of four (4) consecutive years beginning from the
42 date of the delivery of the confirmation notice shall not be
43 purged from the Statewide Elections Management System.

44 (5) The county registrar or county election commission shall
45 move those registered voters who fail to respond to the
46 confirmation notice as provided in subsection (4) and who fail to
47 vote as provided in subsection (4) of this section to purged
48 status in the Statewide Elections Management System.

49 (6) No systematic list maintenance shall occur during the
50 ninety (90) days immediately preceding a federal primary or
51 general election.

52 (7) The county registrar shall retain removed voter
53 registration records after they are removed for a period that
54 includes at least two (2) federal general elections and shall
55 record the reason for the removal.

56 **SECTION 6.** Section 23-15-125, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
57 amended as follows:

58 23-15-125. The pollbook of each voting precinct shall
59 designate the voting precinct for which it is to be used, and
60 shall be ruled in appropriate columns, with printed or written
61 headings, as follows: date of registration; voter registration
62 number; name of electors; date of birth; and a number of blank
63 columns for the dates of elections. All qualified applicants who



64 register with the registrar shall be entered in the Statewide
65 Elections Management System. Only the names of those qualified
66 applicants who register within thirty (30) days before an election
67 shall appear on the pollbooks of the election; however, if the
68 thirtieth day to register before an election falls on a Sunday or
69 legal holiday, the registration applications submitted on the
70 business day immediately following the legal holiday shall be
71 accepted and entered in the Statewide Elections Management System
72 for the purpose of enabling voters to vote in the next election.
73 When county election commissioners determine that any elector is
74 disqualified from voting, by reason of death, conviction of a
75 disenfranchising crime, removal from the jurisdiction, failure to
76 comply with the provisions of Section 23-15-152, or other legal
77 cause, that fact shall be noted in the Statewide Elections
78 Management System and the voter's name shall be removed from the
79 Statewide Elections Management System, the state's voter roll and
80 the county's pollbooks. Nothing in this section shall preclude
81 the use of electronic pollbooks."

82 **AMEND further** on line 38 by inserting the following language
83 after the comma: "failed to comply with the provisions of Section
84 23-15-152,".

85 **AMEND further** on line 51 by deleting "and".



86 **AMEND further** on line 54 by deleting the period and inserting
87 in lieu thereof the following:

88 ";

89 (e) As provided in Section 23-15-152.".

90 **AMEND further the title to conform.**

