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1   Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2   following:

3   "**Sec. 1.**   RCW 29A.08.140 and 2011 c 10 s 15 are each amended to
4   read as follows:
5   (1) In order to vote in any primary, special election, or general
6   election, a person who is not registered to vote in Washington must:
7   (a) Submit a registration application pursuant to RCW 29A.08.115,
8   29A.08.120, 29A.08.310, or 29A.08.320, received by election officials
9   no later than ((twenty-nine)) eleven days before the day of the
10 primary, special election, or general election; or
11   (b) ((Register)) Submit a registration application no later than
12 eleven days before the day of the primary, special election, or
13 general election:
14   (i) Pursuant to RCW 29A.08.123, 29A.08.330(4), or 29A.08.340; or
15   (ii) In person at the county auditor's office in his or her
16 county of residence ((no later than eight days before the day of the
17 primary, special election, or general election)), or an alternate
18 location designated by the county auditor.
19   (2) A person who is already registered to vote in Washington may
20 update his or her registration no later than ((twenty-nine)) eleven
21 days before the day of the primary, special election, or general
22 election to be in effect for that primary, special election, or
23 general election. A registered voter who fails to transfer his or her
24 residential address by this deadline may vote according to his or her
25 previous registration address.
26   (3) If a voter registration deadline falls on a state or federal
27 holiday, the deadline is moved to the next business day after the
28 holiday.

29   **Sec. 2.**   RCW 29A.08.125 and 2009 c 369 s 12 are each amended to
30 read as follows:

1   (1) The office of the secretary of state shall maintain a
2 statewide voter registration database. This database must be a
3 centralized, uniform, interactive computerized statewide voter
4 registration list that contains the name and registration information
5 of every registered voter in the state.
6   (2) The statewide list is the official list of registered voters
7 for the conduct of all elections.
8   (3) The statewide list must include, but is not limited to, the
9 name, date of birth, residence address, signature, gender, and date
10 of registration of every legally registered voter in the state.
11   (4) A unique identifier must be assigned to each registered voter
12 in the state.
13   (5) The database must be coordinated with other government
14 databases within the state including, but not limited to, the
15 department of corrections, the department of licensing, the
16 department of health, the administrative office of the courts, and
17 county auditors. The database may also be coordinated with the
18 databases of election officials in other states.
19   (6) Authorized employees of the secretary of state and each
20 county auditor must have immediate electronic access to the
21 information maintained in the database.
22   (7) Voter registration information received by each county
23 auditor must be electronically entered into the database. The office
24 of the secretary of state must provide support, as needed, to enable
25 each county auditor to enter and maintain voter registration
26 information in the state database.
27   (8) The secretary of state has data authority over all voter
28 registration data.
29   (9) The voter registration database must be designed to
30 accomplish at a minimum, the following:
31   (a) Comply with the help America vote act of 2002 (P.L. 107-252);
32   (b) Identify duplicate voter registrations;
33   (c) Identify suspected duplicate voters;
34   (d) Screen against any available databases maintained by other
35 government agencies to identify voters who are ineligible to vote due
36 to a felony conviction, lack of citizenship, or mental incompetence;
37   (e) Provide images of voters' signatures for the purpose of
38 checking signatures on initiative and referendum petitions;
39   (f) Provide for a comparison between the voter registration
40 database and the department of licensing change of address database;

1   (g) Provide access for county auditors that includes the
2 capability to update registrations and search for duplicate
3 registrations; ((and))
4   (h) Provide for the cancellation of registrations of voters who
5 have moved out of state; and
6   (i) Provide for the change of residence address for a voter from
7 one county to another.
8   (10) The secretary of state may, upon agreement with other
9 appropriate jurisdictions, screen against any available databases
10 maintained by election officials in other states and databases
11 maintained by federal agencies including, but not limited to, the
12 federal bureau of investigation, the federal court system, the
13 federal bureau of prisons, and the bureau of citizenship and
14 immigration services.
15   (11) The database shall retain information regarding previous
16 successful appeals of proposed cancellations of registrations in
17 order to avoid repeated cancellations for the same reason.
18   (12) Each county auditor shall maintain a list of all registered
19 voters within the county that are contained on the official statewide
20 voter registration list. In addition to the information maintained in
21 the statewide database, the county database must also maintain the
22 applicable taxing district and precinct codes for each voter in the
23 county, and a list of elections in which the individual voted.
24   (13) Each county auditor shall allow electronic access and
25 information transfer between the county's voter registration system
26 and the official statewide voter registration list.

27   **Sec. 3.** RCW 29A.08.410 and 2009 c 369 s 22 are each amended to
28 read as follows:
29   A registered voter who changes his or her residence from one
30 address to another within ((the same county)) this state may transfer
31 his or her registration to the new address in one of the following
32 ways:
33   (1) Sending the county auditor a request stating both the voter's
34 present address and the address from which the voter was last
35 registered;
36   (2) Appearing in person before the county auditor and making such
37 a request;
38   (3) Telephoning or emailing the county auditor to ((transfer
39 the)) change the residence address for voter registration; or

1   (4) Submitting a voter registration application.

2   **Sec. 4.** RCW 29A.08.620 and 2011 c 10 s 17 are each amended to
3   read as follows:
4   (1) Each county auditor must request change of address
5   information from the postal service for all mail ballots.
6   (2) The county auditor shall transfer the registration of a voter
7   and send an acknowledgment notice to the new address informing the
8   voter of the transfer if change of address information received by
9   the county auditor from the postal service, the department of
10   licensing, or another agency designated to provide voter registration
11   services indicates that the voter has moved within the ((county))
12   state.
13   (3) ((The county auditor shall place a voter on inactive status
14   and send to all known addresses a confirmation notice and a voter
15   registration application if change of address information received by
16   the county auditor from the postal service, the department of
17   licensing, or another agency designated to provide voter registration
18   services indicates that the voter has moved from one county to
19   another.
20   (4))) The county auditor shall place a voter on inactive status
21   and send to all known addresses a confirmation notice if any of the
22   following occur:
23   (a) Any document mailed by the county auditor to a voter is
24   returned by the postal service as undeliverable without address
25   correction information; or
26   (b) Change of address information received from the postal
27   service, the department of licensing, or another state agency
28   designated to provide voter registration services indicates that the
29   voter has moved out of the state.

30   NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** RCW 29A.08.420 (Transfer to another
31   county) and 2009 c 369 s 23, 2004 c 267 s 122, 2003 c 111 s 229, 1999
32   c 100 s 3, 1994 c 57 s 36, 1991 c 81 s 24, 1977 ex.s. c 361 s 26,
33   1971 ex.s. c 202 s 26, & 1965 c 9 s 29.10.040 are each repealed.

34   NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** (1) Sections 3 through 5 of this act take
35   effect when the statewide voter registration database operated by the
36   secretary of state is compliant with RCW 29A.08.125.

1   (2) The secretary of state's office must provide written notice
2 to the code reviser's office when the statewide voter registration
3 database is compliant with RCW 29A.08.125."

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4   On page 1 line 3 of the title, after "election;" strike the
5 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 29A.08.140,
6 29A.08.125, 29A.08.410, and 29A.08.620; repealing RCW 29A.08.420; and
7 providing a contingent effective date."

     <u>EFFECT:</u> Moves the deadline to update an existing voter
registration to 11 days before an election on the bill's effective
date.

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