

1 AN ACT relating to voter registration.

2 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

3 →Section 1. KRS 116.055 is amended to read as follows:

4 Before a person shall be qualified to vote in a primary~~[-election]~~, he ***or she*** shall possess
5 all the qualifications required of voters in a regular election. In addition, he ***or she*** shall
6 be a registered member of the party in whose primary~~[-election]~~ he ***or she*** seeks to vote,
7 and shall have been registered as a member of that party on December 31₂, immediately
8 preceding the primary~~[-election]~~, or, in the case of new registrations made after December
9 31₂, immediately preceding the primary~~[-election]~~, he ***or she*** shall have registered and
10 remained registered as a member of that party. ***Any voter who voluntarily removes his or***
11 ***her name from the voter registration list after December 31 and who wishes to register***
12 ***to vote prior to the next scheduled primary, shall not be considered a newly registered***
13 ***voter for purposes of party eligibility.*** No person shall be allowed to vote for any party
14 candidates or slates of candidates other than that of the party of which he ***or she*** is a
15 registered member. The qualifications shall be determined as of the date of the primary,
16 without regard to the qualifications or disqualifications as they may exist at the
17 succeeding regular election, except that minors seventeen (17) years of age who will
18 become eighteen (18) years of age on or before the day of the regular election shall be
19 entitled to vote in the primary if otherwise qualified. However, any registered voter,
20 whether registered as a member of a party, political organization, political group, or as an
21 independent, shall be qualified to vote in ***a*** primary~~[-elections]~~ for candidates listed in all
22 nonpartisan races.