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AN ACT relating to elections.

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

Section 1. KRS 117.025 is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) The State Board of Elections shall appoint an executive director, who shall be the
5 chief administrative officer for the board. The board shall also appoint an assistant
6 director, who shall be of a different political party than the director. The salaries of
7 the director and the assistant director shall be set by the board.

8 (2) The State Board of Elections shall employ, on a bipartisan basis, a staff sufficient to 9 carry out the duties assigned to the board, including legal counsel and a training 10 officer to provide assistance to the county clerks and the county boards of elections 11 in their training of precinct election officers.

12 (3) The board shall:

13 Maintain a complete roster of all qualified registered voters within the state by (a) 14 county and precinct, and institute appropriate safeguards to ensure that there is 15 no inappropriate use of the voter registration roster. State and local election 16 officials, including the Secretary of State, employees of the Secretary, and 17 members of the State Board of Elections and their staff, shall only use the 18 voter registration roster for purposes relevant to their prescribed duties of 19 election administration. The Secretary of State, and two (2) employees of the 20 Secretary, who may be designated by the Secretary with explicit written 21 authority and notification to the board, shall have electronic access to the 22 information contained within the voter registration roster, but shall not 23 correct, alter, or delete information from the voter registration roster, unless 24 having obtained prior approval by a majority of the voting members of the 25 board;

(b) For each primary, furnish each county clerk with a master list of all registered
voters in the county, together with three (3) signature rosters of all registered

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- voters in each precinct of the county according to party affiliation, and two (2)
 lists of all registered voters in each precinct of the county at least eighteen
 (18) days prior to each primary;
- 4 (c) For each regular election, furnish each county clerk with a master list of all 5 registered voters in the county, together with one (1) signature roster of all 6 registered voters in each precinct of the county on which each voter's party 7 affiliation is identified, and two (2) lists of all registered voters in each 8 precinct of the county at least eighteen (18) days prior to each regular 9 election;
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 (d) Provide the county clerk with the signature roster in the format chosen by

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 the county clerk[Select the required format for any voter registration list

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 provided to a county clerk including those intended for use in an e-poll book

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 product];
- 14 (e) Maintain all information furnished to the board relating to the inclusion or
 15 deletion of names from the rosters for four (4) years;
- (f) Furnish, at a reasonable price, the state central executive committee of each
 political party qualifying under KRS 118.015 monthly data of all additions,
 deletions and changes of registration in each precinct of each county and the
 state central executive committee shall furnish a county listing to each of the
 county executive committees of each political party;
- (g) Purchase, lease or contract for the use of equipment necessary to properly
 carry out its duties under the provisions of this chapter and KRS Chapters 116
 and 118;
- (h) Secure information from any source which may assist the board in carrying
 out the purposes of this section;
- 26 (i) Furnish at a reasonable price any and all precinct lists to duly qualified
 27 candidates, political party committees or officials thereof, or any committee

1that advocates or opposes an amendment or public question. The State Board2of Elections may also furnish the precinct lists to other persons at the <u>county</u>3<u>clerk's[board's]</u> discretion, at a reasonable price to be determined by the4<u>county clerk[board]</u>. The board shall not furnish precinct lists to persons who5intend to use the lists for commercial use; and

6 (j) Be responsible for oversight of board personnel, including hiring,
7 investigations, disciplinary actions, promotions, and other like actions subject
8 to KRS Chapter 18A.