

SENATE BILL 113

Introduced by Harding, et al.

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1 Senate BILL NO. 113
2 INTRODUCED BY Harding Lewis Vaughn NATHAN
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING THAT THE
5 REGISTRATION OF AN ELECTOR MUST BE CANCELED FOR FAILURE TO
6 VOTE IN ANY GENERAL ELECTION; AND AMENDING SECTION 13-2-401,
7 MCA."
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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

10 **Section 1.** Section 13-2-401, MCA, is amended to read:

11 "13-2-401. Cancellation of registration for failure to
12 vote -- reregistration. (1) Except as provided in subsection
13 (3), within 60 days after every general election ~~in which a~~
14 ~~president is elected~~, the election administrator shall:

15 (a) cancel the registration of the electors who have
16 not voted in each precinct, as shown by the official
17 pollbook and precinct register of each precinct;

18 (b) mark the form of each elector whose registration
19 has been canceled; and

20 (c) place canceled forms for the entire county in
21 alphabetical order in the canceled file.

22 (2) An elector whose registration is canceled may
23 reregister in the same manner as if ~~he~~ the elector were
24 registering for the first time.

25 (3) The registration of an elector who votes by

1 absentee ballot but whose ballot does not arrive in time to
2 be counted may not be canceled if ~~his~~ the ballot is received
3 and rejected by the election administrator within 10 days
4 succeeding the election.

5 (4) A notice of cancellation ~~shall~~ must be published on
6 radio or television as provided in 2-3-105 through 2-3-107
7 or in a newspaper of general circulation in the county once
8 a week for 2 weeks prior to the date of cancellation. The
9 notice ~~shall~~ must be run in a display advertisement (known
10 as ROP in the trade) if in a newspaper or as an announcement
11 if on radio or television and ~~shall~~ must be in a form
12 prescribed by the secretary of state. The names of those
13 electors whose registration has been canceled need not be
14 published."

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