1 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION 2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 3 1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021) ENGROSSED SENATE 4 BILL NO. 712 By: Jech of the Senate 5 and 6 Lowe (Dick), Newton and McDugle of the House 7 8 9 An Act relating to conduct of elections; amending 26 10 O.S. 2011, Sections 7-102.1 and 7-117, which relate 11 to precinct registries; authorizing use of electronic precinct registries; authorizing purchase of certain 12 equipment; requiring Secretary of State Election Board to promulgate certain rules; requiring retention of certain information for specified time 13 period; updating statutory language; and providing an effective date. 14 15 16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 17 SECTION 1. 26 O.S. 2011, Section 7-102.1, is 18 AMENDATORY amended to read as follows: 19 Section 7-102.1. A. Prior to the day of the election, it shall 20 be the duty of the secretary of the county election board to prepare 21 for each precinct where an election is to be held in the county, a 22 written or electronic precinct registry which shall contain 23 information on all registered voters in the precinct as prescribed 24

by the Secretary of the State Election Board. The information which is or would be contained in such a registry shall at all times be public information.

- B. The Secretary of the State Election Board may authorize the use of electronic precinct registries by one or more county election boards. Subject to available funding, the Secretary may purchase any equipment and software necessary to implement an electronic precinct registry system. The Secretary shall promulgate rules as necessary to implement, operate and maintain security for a system of electronic precinct registries.
- 11 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 7-117, is 12 amended to read as follows:
 - Section 7-117. A. Persons who have been determined to be eligible to vote shall sign, in the presence of the clerk, the proper precinct registry. Said The clerk shall thereupon then issue proper ballots to said the person. The voter's signature on said the precinct registry shall be the best evidence of said the voter's having voted at said election. Said precinct registry
- B. Precinct registries including data from electronic precinct
 registries, shall be retained in the office of by the county
 election board for a period of twenty-two (22) twenty-four (24)
 months following the election and shall be subject to public
 inspection during regular office hours.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021. COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS AND ETHICS, dated 04/06/2021 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.

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