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House Concurrent Resolution No. 5005

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12 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging Congress to modify the pro-
13 visions of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to simplify the
14 procedure for removal of voters from voter registration lists.

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16 WHEREAS, The National Voter Registration Act of 1993 imposed
17 national standards upon the states regarding creation and maintenance of
18 lists of registered voters; and

19 WHEREAS, The required notification procedure could be simplified
20 to require the state or local election official only to provide to the public
21 a general notice stating that if a voter has not voted in the two preceding
22 elections for federal office, such voter must vote in the next general elec-
23 tion for federal office or else such voter's name will be deleted from the
24 voter registration list; and

25 WHEREAS, The national standards create an onerous, costly and time
26 consuming notification procedure which must be followed before a
27 voter's name may be deleted from a voter registration list; and

28 WHEREAS, The current standards and procedures for removal of a
29 voter's name from a voter registration list could be simplified for state
30 and local election officials by allowing a voter's name to be removed,
31 without notification, for failure to vote in, at most, three consecutive gen-
32 eral elections for federal office: Now, therefore,

33 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas,*
34 *the Senate concurring therein:* That the Legislature strongly urges the
35 Congress of the United States to amend the appropriate sections of the
36 National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to allow state and local election
37 officials to replace the current onerous, costly and time consuming noti-
38 fication procedure with a simpler procedure only requiring that the state
39 or local election official ~~only to provide to the public two general notices~~
40 ~~stating that if a voter has not voted in the two preceding elections for~~
41 ~~federal office~~ **four preceding general elections as defined in K.S.A.**
42 **25-101, and amendments thereto**, such voter must vote in the next
43 general election ~~for federal office~~ or else such voter's name will be deleted

1 from the voter registration list. The first notification must be issued two
2 weeks before the date of such election and the second notification must
3 be issued one week before the date of such election; and

4 *Be it further resolved:* That the Legislature strongly urges the Con-
5 gress of the United States to amend the appropriate sections of the Na-
6 tional Voter Registration Act of 1993 to allow state and local election
7 officials to remove a voter's name from a voter registration list for failure
8 to vote in, at most, three consecutive general elections for federal office
9 in lieu of following the currently required notification procedure; and

10 *Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of State is directed to send
11 enrolled copies of this resolution to each member of the Kansas Con-
12 gressional Delegation.