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## SB 1485: early voting list; eligibility

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### Overview

Outlines the eligibility for a voter to be placed and stay on the early voting list rather than the *permanent* early voting list.

### History

Any registered voter can request to be included in the permanent early voting list (PEVL) and therefore will receive an early ballot by mail for any election for which the county voter registration roll is used to prepare the election register.

A voter may be removed from the PEVL if:

- 1) The voter requests in writing to be removed from the PEVL;
- 2) The voter's registration or eligibility is moved to inactive status or canceled as otherwise provided by law; or
- 3) The notice sent by the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is returned undeliverable and the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections is unable to contact the voter to determine the voter's continued desire to remain on the list ([A.R.S. § 16-544](#)).

### Provisions

1. Removes references to the *permanent early voting list* and renames this as the *early voting list*. (Sec. 1-6)
2. Stipulates that the county recorder must remove a voter from the early voting list if the voter fails to vote an early ballot in both the primary and general elections for two consecutive primary and general elections for which there was a federal, legislative or statewide race on the ballot.
  - a) Specifies that this does not apply to a special taxing district that is authorized by statute to conduct its own elections or a special district mail ballot election. (Sec. 6)
3. Requires the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections, by December 1 of each even-numbered year, to send a notice to each voter on the early voting list who did not vote in both the primary and general elections for the two most recent general elections for federal office. (Sec. 6)
4. Specifies that the notice must inform the voter that if the voter would like to remain on the early voting list, the voter must do the following:
  - a) Confirm in writing the voter's desire to remain on the early voting list; and
  - b) Return the completed and signed notice that contains the voter's address and date of birth to the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections within 30 days of receipt of the notice. (Sec. 6)

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5. Directs the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections to remove the voter from the early voting list if the voter does not respond to the notice within the 30-day time period. (Sec. 6)
6. Makes technical and conforming changes. (Sec. 1, 3-6)