It is a class A misdemeanor punishable, notwithstanding the provisions of section 560.021, RSMo, to the contrary, for a term of imprisonment not to exceed one year in the county jail or a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars or both, for anyone to sign any initiative petition with any name other than his or her own, or knowingly to sign his or her name more than once for the same measure or for the same election, or to sign a petition when such person knows he or she is not a registered voter.

INITIATIVE PETITION

To the Honorable John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State for the State of Missouri:

We, the undersigned, registered voters of the state of Missouri and County (or city of St. Louis), respectfully order that the following proposed law shall be submitted to the voters of the state of Missouri, for their approval or rejection, at the general election to be held on the 6th day of November, 2018, and each for himself or herself says: I have personally signed this petition; I am a registered voter of the State of Missouri and County (or city of St. Louis); my registered voting address and name of the city, town or village in which I live are correctly written after my name.

[OFFICIAL BALLOT TITLE]

CIRCULATOR’S AFFIDAVIT, STATE OF MISSOURI, COUNTY OF ________________________________

I, ________________________________, being first duly sworn, say: (print or type names of signers):

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Signed this page of the foregoing petition, and each of them signed his or her name thereto in my presence; I believe that each has stated his or her name, registered voting address and city, town or village correctly, and that each signer is a registered voter of the state of Missouri and County.

FURTHERMORE, I HEREBY SWEAR OR AFFIRM UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT ALL STATEMENTS MADE BY ME ARE TRUE AND CORRECT AND THAT I HAVE NEVER BEEN CONVICTED OF, FOUND GUILTY OF, OR PLED GUILTY TO ANY OFFENSE INVOLVING FRAUD.

I am at least 18 years of age. I do not (check one) expect to be paid for circulating this petition. If paid, list the payer: ________________________________

Signature of Affiant (person obtaining signatures) ________________________________

Street address of Affiant ______________________________________________________

Printed name of Affiant ________________________________________________________

City, State, and zip code of Affiant _____________________________________________

Subscribed and sworn to me this ______ day of ______, A.D. ______________________

Signature of Notary: ___________________________________________________________

Address of Notary: ____________________________________________________________

Notary Public (Seal) __________________________________________________________

My commission expires ____________________
Be it enacted by the people of the state of Missouri:

Chapter 115.135, RSMo, is amended to provide automatic voter registration. Chapter 115.427. 1 will be amended to reflect changes in Chapter 115.135, RSMo:

115.135. 1. Any person who is qualified to vote, or who shall become qualified to vote on or before the day of election, shall be entitled to register in the jurisdiction within which he or she resides. In order to vote in any election for which registration is required, a person must be registered to vote in the jurisdiction of his or her residence no later than 5:00 p.m., or the normal closing time of any public building where the registration is being held if such time is later than 5:00 p.m., on the fourth Wednesday prior to the election, unless the voter is an interstate former resident, an intrastate new resident, a new resident, or a covered voter, as defined in section 115.275. Except as provided in subsection 4 of this section, in no case shall registration for an election extend beyond 10:00 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday prior to the election. Any person registering after such date shall be eligible to vote in subsequent elections.

2. A person applying to register with an election authority or a deputy registration official shall identify himself or herself by presenting a copy of a birth certificate, a Native American tribal document, other proof of United States citizenship, a valid Missouri drivers license or other form of personal identification at the time of registration.

3. Except as provided in federal law or federal elections and in section 115.277, no person shall be entitled to vote if the person has not registered to vote in the jurisdiction of his or her residence prior to the deadline to register to vote.

4. A covered voter as defined in section 115.275 who has been discharged from military service, has returned from a military deployment or activation, or has separated from employment outside the territorial limits of the United States after the deadline to register to vote, and who is otherwise qualified to register to vote, may register to vote in an election in person before the election authority until 5:00 p.m. on the Friday before such election. Such persons shall produce sufficient documentation showing evidence of qualifying for late registration pursuant to this section.

5. Registration at the division of motor vehicles.
(a) Every person applying at the division of motor vehicles for a driver's license or a renewal of the license, or personal identification document issued by the division of motor vehicles, and who is or may be by the next general election qualified to vote, shall be afforded the opportunity to register to vote, or if previously registered, be afforded the opportunity to change their address for voting purposes.

(b) The application to register to vote must be offered simultaneously with the application for the driver's license or renewal of it or application for a personal identification document. Division of motor vehicles employees must provide to applicants for driver's licenses, license renewal, or personal identification documents the same level of assistance and instruction with respect to the application to register to vote as is provided with respect to the application for driver's licenses, renewal of the license, or personal identification documents. The applicant shall be afforded the opportunity to decline to register to vote by failing to sign the voter registration form. If previously registered, the applicant shall be afforded the opportunity to change their address for voting purposes.

In order to protect the privacy of those who do not wish to register to vote for any reason, the failure of an applicant for a driver's license or renewal of it or a personal identification document to sign the voter registration form register to vote may not be used for any purposes other than to determine the person's voter registration status.
(c) The voter registration application shall contain the registrant's name, residence address, mailing address if different from residence address, date of birth, and registrant's signature and date of affixation of signature, and may include any other information, certifications, and declarations, including those made under the penalty of perjury, that may be required by the state board in order to administer a single and unified system of voter registration in accordance with applicable state and federal laws which shall enable duly registered voters to vote in all elections in their respective voting districts including, elections for federal officers. Declarations will include signature on a form provided by the division of motor vehicles stating under penalty of law that they are a US citizen. Certifications may include utility bills, bank statements, rent receipts or other equivalent items to show proof of address. Applications for voter registration only will not be required to present a birth certificate or photo ID. Certifications showing place of residences are all that will be necessary. If there are doubts of citizenship, then 115.135.5 will be followed with the state utilizing 115.135.5. The department of motor vehicles or agent may not question citizenship from applicant. Any doubts will be sent to the state board of elections for a follow up investigation. The voter registration application must also include, in print identical to that used in the attestation portion of the form, the following:

(i) The penalties provided by law for submitting a false voter registration;

(ii) A statement that, if the applicant declines to register to vote, his or her decision will remain confidential and be used only for voter registration purposes; and

(iii) A statement that, if the applicant does register to vote, information regarding the office or branch of the division of motor vehicles to which the application was submitted will remain confidential, to be used only for voter registration purposes.

It shall be the responsibility of the division of motor vehicles to print and to have available at all times a sufficient number of voter registration forms and declaration of citizenship in order to carry out the provisions of this section. If the division of motor vehicles or agents fail to have the required forms, the state or its agent will personally deliver and complete the forms at the applicant's place of residence.

(d) The completed voter registration application shall be transmitted by the division of motor vehicles or agent to the central voter registration system mandated not later than the next business day after the date of acceptance by the division of motor vehicles. Transmission shall be made by electronic means as prescribed by the secretary of state, and shall be in an electronic form compatible with the voter registration system maintained by the secretary of state. For each registration electronically transmitted, a hard copy will be provided to the appropriate local board of canvassers.

(e) Any person who has fully and correctly completed an application to register to vote at the division of motor vehicles is presumed to be registered as of the date of the acceptance of the registration by the division of motor vehicles. The division of motor vehicles shall not transmit the voter registration of any applicant, who fails to certify by a declaration that they are a citizen of the United States.

(f) The state board of elections shall have the authority to adopt regulations to implement and administer the provisions of this section, including all registrations taken at the division of motor vehicles.

(g)

(1) In accordance with Section 7 of the Federal National Voter Registration Act of 5 1993, other applicable state government agencies that the secretary verifies already collect documents that would provide proof of eligibility, including age, citizenship and residence address, may follow the procedures for automatic voter registration enumerated for the division of motor vehicles as described in subsections (b) through (d) of this section.
(2) Any additional agencies that are designated for automatic registration must follow the rules and protocols established in this section for the division of motor vehicles providing a declaration of citizenship.

(3) Registration for voter registration at a division of motor vehicles without application for driver's license or ID and only for for voter registration does not require a photo. The same rules are for other applicable state government agencies. There will be no charge for the voter registration.

(4) Voter ID cards will be sent to all registered voters in an envelope marked "Do not Forward" for each election. This card will be the only ID needed to vote without any need for other identification. Receipt of this card at the voters' place of residence shall be considered proof of eligibility to vote.

(h) Effective date. The provisions of this section shall take effect thirty (30) days after the administrator of the division of motor vehicles certifies in writing to the general assembly that the Missouri motor vehicle licensing system computer system is capable of meeting the requirements set forth in this section, which references the provisions of the Federal National Voter Registration Act of 1993. The administrator of the division of motor vehicles shall consult with the secretary prior to making this determination about the computer system. All changes will be made to have in place six months before the Nov., 2020 elections.

6. Verification of Citizen Status-If the state or any voting regulatory body doubts the citizenship status of the voter applicant and is unable to verify citizenship and identify via the State Verification and Exchange System (SVES) interface with the Social Security Administration, it is then the responsibility of the applicant/recipient to provide the required verification as follows:

A. CITIZENSHIP -1. FIRST LEVEL (PRIMARY DOCUMENTATION). The following forms of documentation qualify as both proof of citizenship and identity:

(a) A U.S. Passport
   • Passport does not have to be currently valid to be accepted as proof of citizenship
   • Passports issued with a limitation are not considered evidence of U.S. citizenship but is considered proof of identity.

(b). A Certificate of Naturalization (Forms N-550 or N-570)

(c). A Certificate of U.S. Citizenship (Form N-560 or N-561)

(d). Applicants and recipients born outside of the United States who were not U.S. citizens at birth, must submit First Level documentation as evidence of U.S. citizenship.

(e). If the applicant/recipient does not possess any of the above forms of documentation, then documentation of both the individual's citizenship (preferably from the Secondary tier of documentation) and identity is necessary.

B. SECOND LEVEL (SECONDARY)

(a). If documentation from the First Level (Primary Documentation) of citizenship is not available, the applicant/recipient must submit both a document from one of the lower levels of citizenship documentation as well as a document from the list of acceptable forms of identity documentation.

(b). Secondary level documentation includes:
   i. A U.S. Birth Certificate
ii. A Certification of Birth Issued by the Department of State (Form DS-1350)

iii. A Report of Birth Abroad of a U.S. Citizen (Form FS-240)

iv. A Certification of Birth Issued by the Department of State (Form FS-545 or DS-1350)

v. A U.S. Citizens I.D. Card (Form I-197 or prior version I-179)

vi. An American Indian Card, I-872 issued by the Department of Homeland Security with the classification code "KIC" issued to identify U.S. citizen members of the Texas Band of Kickapoos living near the U.S./Mexican border

vii. Final Adoption Decree showing the child's name and U.S. birthplace

viii. Evidence of Civil Service employment by the U.S. government before June 1976

iv. An official military record of service showing a U.S. place of birth

x. A Northern Mariana Identification Card, I-873 (issued by the INS to a collectively naturalized citizen of the United States who was born in the Northern Mariana Islands before November 4, 1986)

115.427. 1. Persons seeking to vote in a public election shall establish their identity and eligibility to vote at the polling place by presenting their voter ID card they received in the mail for the current election or a form of personal identification to election officials. If the voter has the voter ID card, no other form of identification will be needed. No form of personal identification other than the forms listed in this section shall be accepted to establish a voter's qualifications to vote if they do not have their voter ID card. Forms of personal identification that satisfy the requirements of this section are any one of the following:

(1) Nonexpired Missouri driver's license;

(2) Nonexpired or nonexpiring Missouri non-driver's license;

(3) A document that satisfies all of the following requirements:

(a) The document contains the name of the individual to whom the document was issued, and the name substantially conforms to the most recent signature in the individual's voter registration record;

(b) The document shows a photograph of the individual;

(c) The document includes an expiration date, and the document is not expired, or, if expired, the document expired after the date of the most recent general election; and

(d) The document was issued by the United States or the state of Missouri; or

(4) Any identification containing a photograph of the individual which is issued by the Missouri National Guard, the United States Armed Forces, or the United States Department of Veteran Affairs to a member or former member of the Missouri National Guard or the United States Armed Forces and that is not expired or does not have an expiration date.

2. (1) An individual who appears at a polling place without a form of personal identification described in subsection 1 of this section and who is otherwise qualified to vote at that polling place may execute a statement, under penalty of perjury, averring that the individual is the person listed in the precinct register; averring that the individual does not possess a form of personal identification described in subsection 1 of this section; acknowledging that the individual is eligible to receive a Missouri non-driver's license free of charge if desiring it in order to vote; and acknowledging that the
individual is required to present a form of personal identification, as described in subsection 1 of this section, in order to vote. Such statement shall be executed and sworn to before the election official receiving the statement. Upon executing such statement, the individual may cast a regular ballot, provided such individual presents one of the following forms of identification:

(a) Identification issued by the state of Missouri, an agency of the state, or a local election authority of the state;

(b) Identification issued by the United States government or agency thereof;

(c) Identification issued by an institution of higher education, including a university, college, vocational and technical school, located within the state of Missouri;

(d) A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that contains the name and address of the individual;

(e) Other identification approved by the secretary of state under rules promulgated pursuant to this section.

(2) For any individual who appears at a polling place without a form of personal identification described in subsection 1 of this section and who is otherwise qualified to vote at that polling place, the election authority may take a picture of such individual and keep it as part of that individual’s voter registration file at the election authority.

(3) Any individual who chooses not to execute the statement described in subdivision (1) of this subsection may cast a provisional ballot. Such provisional ballot shall be counted, provided that it meets the requirements of subsection 4 of this section.

(4) For the purposes of this section, the term “election official” shall include any person working under the authority of the election authority.

3. The statement to be used for voting under subdivision (1) of subsection 2 of this section shall be substantially in the following form:

"State of ......................
County of ......................

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that my name is ...............; that I reside at ..............................................................; that I am the person listed in the precinct register under this name and at this address; and that, under penalty of perjury, I do not possess a form of personal identification approved for voting. As a person who does not possess a form of personal identification approved for voting, I acknowledge that I am eligible to receive free of charge a Missouri nondriver’s license at any fee office if desiring it in order to vote. I furthermore acknowledge that I am required to present a form of personal identification, as prescribed by law, in order to vote.

I understand that knowingly providing false information is a violation of law and subjects me to possible criminal prosecution.

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Signature of voter

Subscribed and affirmed before me this ........... day of ............... 20....

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Signature of election official"
4. A voter shall be allowed to cast a provisional ballot under section 115.430 even if the election judges cannot establish the voter’s identity under this section. The election judges shall make a notation on the provisional ballot envelope to indicate that the voter’s identity was not verified. The provisional ballot cast by such voter shall not be counted unless:

(1) (a) The voter returns to the polling place during the uniform polling hours established by section 115.407 and provides a form of personal identification that allows the election judges to verify the voter’s identity as provided in subsection 1 of this section; or

(b) The election authority verifies the identity of the individual by comparing that individual’s signature to the signature on file with the election authority and determines that the individual was eligible to cast a ballot at the polling place where the ballot was cast; and

(2) The provisional ballot otherwise qualifies to be counted under section 115.430.

5. The secretary of state shall provide advance notice of the personal identification requirements of subsection 1 of this section in a manner calculated to inform the public generally of the requirement for forms of personal identification as provided in this section. Such advance notice shall include, at a minimum, the use of advertisements and public service announcements in print, broadcast television, radio, and cable television media, as well as the posting of information on the opening pages of the official state internet websites of the secretary of state and governor.

6. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 136.055 and section 302.181 to the contrary, the state and all fee offices shall provide one nondriver’s license at no cost to any otherwise qualified voter who does not already possess such identification and who desires the identification in order to vote.

(2) This state and its agencies shall provide one copy of each of the following, free of charge, if needed by an individual seeking to obtain a form of personal identification described in subsection 1 of this section in order to vote:

(a) A birth certificate;

(b) A marriage license or certificate;

(c) A divorce decree;

(d) A certificate of decree of adoption;

(e) A court order changing the person’s name;

(f) A Social Security card reflecting an updated name; and

(g) Naturalization papers or other documents from the United States Department of State proving citizenship.

Any individual seeking one of the above documents in order to obtain a form of personal identification described in subsection 1 of this section in order to vote may request the secretary of state to facilitate the acquisition of such documents. The secretary of state shall pay any fee or fees charged by another state or its agencies, or any court of competent jurisdiction in this state or any other state, or the federal government or its agencies, in order to obtain any of the above documents from such state or the federal government.

(3) All costs associated with the implementation of this section shall be reimbursed from the general revenue of this state by an appropriation for that purpose. If there is not a sufficient appropriation of state funds, then the personal identification requirements of subsection 1 of this section shall not be enforced.
(4) Any applicant who requests a nondriver’s license for the purpose of voting shall not be required to pay a fee if the applicant executes a statement, under penalty of perjury, averring that the applicant does not have any other form of personal identification that meets the requirements of this section. The state of Missouri shall pay the legally required fees for any such applicant. The director of the department of revenue shall design a statement to be used for this purpose. The total cost associated with nondriver’s license photo identification under this subsection shall be borne by the state of Missouri from funds appropriated to the department of revenue for that specific purpose. The department of revenue and a local election authority may enter into a contract that allows the local election authority to assist the department in issuing nondriver’s license photo identifications.

7. The director of the department of revenue shall, by January first of each year, prepare and deliver to each member of the general assembly a report documenting the number of individuals who have requested and received a nondriver’s license photo identification for the purposes of voting under this section. The report shall also include the number of persons requesting a nondriver’s license for purposes of voting under this section, but not receiving such license, and the reason for the denial of the nondriver’s license.

8. The precinct register shall serve as the voter identification certificate. The following form shall be printed at the top of each page of the precinct register:

VOTER’S IDENTIFICATION CERTIFICATE

Warning: It is against the law for anyone to vote, or attempt to vote, without having a lawful right to vote.

PRECINCT
WARD OR TOWNSHIP ..............................................
GENERAL (SPECIAL, PRIMARY) ELECTION
Held .............................., 20....

Date

I hereby certify that I am qualified to vote at this election by signing my name and verifying my address by signing my initials next to my address.

9. The secretary of state shall promulgate rules to effectuate the provisions of this section.

10. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2002, shall be invalid and void.

11. If any voter is unable to sign his name at the appropriate place on the certificate or computer printout, an election judge shall print the name and address of the voter in the appropriate place on the precinct register, the voter shall make his mark in lieu of signature, and the voter’s mark shall be witnessed by the signature of an election judge.

12. This section shall become effective only upon the passage and approval by the voters of a constitutional amendment submitted to them by the general assembly regarding the authorization of photo identification requirements for elections by general law. If such constitutional amendment is approved by the voters, this section shall become effective June 1, 2017.