amounts transferred from the capital access fund under Section 481.415, and any other amounts received under this subchapter and required by the bank to be deposited in the small business fund. The small business fund contains a project account, an interest and sinking account, and other accounts that the bank authorizes to be created and maintained. Money in the small business fund is available for use by the board under this subchapter. Investment earnings under the small business fund must be transferred to the fund created under Section 489.105. Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter, any money in the small business fund may be used for debt service.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on May 2, 2013: Yeas 145, Nays 2, 2 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 3578 on May 24, 2013: Yeas 141, Nays 4, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 22, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 14, 2013.

Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 1093

H.B. No. 3593

AN ACT

relating to the determination that a voter is deceased.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Sections 16.033(b), (c), and (d), Election Code, are amended to read as follows:

(b) If the registrar has reason to believe that a voter is no longer eligible for registration, the registrar shall deliver written notice to the voter indicating that the voter's registration status is being investigated by the registrar. The notice shall be delivered by forwardable mail to the mailing address on the voter's registration application and to any new address of the voter known to the registrar. If the secretary of state has adopted or recommended a form for a written notice under this section, the registrar must use that form.

(c) The notice must include:

(1) a request for information relevant to determining the voter's eligibility for registration; and

(2) a warning that the voter's registration is subject to cancellation if the registrar does not receive an appropriate reply on or before the 30th day after the date the notice is mailed.

(d) Except as provided by Subsection (e), the registrar shall cancel a voter's registration if:

(1) after considering the voter's reply, the registrar determines that the voter is not eligible for registration;

(2) no reply is received from the voter on or before the 30th day after the date the notice is mailed to the voter under Subsection (b); or

(3) each notice mailed under Subsection (b) is returned undelivered to the registrar with no forwarding information available.

SECTION 2. Section 18.068, Election Code, as added by Chapter 683 (H.B. 174), Acts of the 82nd Legislature, Regular Session, 2011, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 18.068. COMPARISON OF INFORMATION REGARDING INELIGIBILITY. (a) The secretary of state shall quarterly compare the information received under Section 16.001 of this code and Section 62.113, Government Code, to the statewide computerized voter registration list. If the secretary determines that a voter on the registration list is deceased or has been excused or disqualified from jury service because the voter is not a citizen, the
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Secretary shall send notice of the determination to the voter registrar of the counties considered appropriate by the secretary.

(b) The secretary of state shall by rule determine what information combinations identified as common to a voter and to an individual who is deceased constitute a weak match or a strong match in order to:

(1) produce the least possible impact on Texas voters; and

(2) fulfill its responsibility to manage the voter rolls.

(c) The secretary of state may not determine that a voter is deceased based on a weak match. The secretary of state may inform the county of the voter's residence that a weak match exists.

(d) On receiving notification from the secretary of state under Subsection (c) that a weak match of identifying information exists for a county voter and an individual who is deceased, the county shall investigate whether the voter is the individual who is deceased.

(e) The secretary of state may determine that a voter is deceased based on a strong match.

(f) The secretary of state may obtain, for purposes of determining whether a voter is deceased, information from other state agency databases relating to a voter that is the same type of information that the secretary of state or a voter registrar collects or stores for voter registration purposes.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on May 10, 2013: Yeas 88, Nays 50, 2 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 3593 on May 24, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 90, Nays 53, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 22, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 6.

Approved June 14, 2013.

Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 1094

H.B. No. 3604

AN ACT

relating to the implementation of a water conservation plan and drought contingency plan, as applicable, by certain entities.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 16.055, Water Code, is amended by amending Subsection (h) and adding Subsection (j) to read as follows:

(h) On receipt of the notice under Subsection (g)(2)(B), the person or entity shall immediately implement the person's or entity's water conservation plan and [drought contingency plan, as applicable.

(j) The board may notify the commission if the board determines that a person or entity has violated Subsection (h). Notwithstanding Section 7.051(b), a violation of Subsection (h) is enforceable in the manner provided by Chapter 7 for a violation of a provision of this code within the commission's jurisdiction or of a rule adopted by the commission under a provision of this code within the commission's jurisdiction.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on May 2, 2013: Yeas 145, Nays 2, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 22, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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