

1 H.357

2 Introduced by Representative Pearson of Burlington

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Elections; qualification and registration of voters; preregistration

6 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to allow a person 16 to 18 years of
7 age with state identification to be placed on the statewide voter checklist when
8 he or she reaches 18 years of age.

9 An act relating to adding a person's name to the statewide voter checklist
10 when he or she reaches 18 years of age

11 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

12 Sec. 1. 17 V.S.A. § 2121 is amended to read:

13 § 2121. ELIGIBILITY OF VOTERS

14 (a) Any person who, on election day:

15 (1) is a citizen of the United States;

16 (2) is a resident of the state of Vermont;

17 (3) has taken the voter's oath; and

18 (4) is 18 years of age or more

19 may register to vote in the town of his or her residence in any election held in a
20 political subdivision of this state in which he or she resides.

1 (b) A person 16 to 18 years of age who holds a personal identification card
2 from the Vermont department of motor vehicles shall be added to the statewide
3 voter checklist as soon as he or she reaches the age to be eligible to vote
4 without needing to register to vote.

5 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

6 This act shall take effect on passage.