

(5) (3) THE STATE BOARD AND THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE SHALL JOINTLY DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT PROCEDURES FOR PERSONS TO APPLY TO REGISTER TO VOTE AT RECRUITMENT OFFICES OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, WHICH SHALL BE DEEMED VOTER REGISTRATION AGENCIES.

(B) EACH VOTER REGISTRATION AGENCY, AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (A)(2) AND (3) OF THIS SECTION, SHALL:

(1) DISTRIBUTE A MAIL VOTER REGISTRATION ~~FORM~~ APPLICATION APPROVED BY THE STATE BOARD OR THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WITH EACH APPLICATION FOR SERVICE OR ASSISTANCE IT RENDERS WITH EACH RECERTIFICATION, RENEWAL, OR CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM RELATING TO SUCH SERVICE OR ASSISTANCE;

(2) PROVIDE ~~A FORM AN APPLICATION~~ A DOCUMENT TO PROSPECTIVE REGISTRANTS THAT INCLUDES:

(I) THE QUESTION, "IF YOU ARE NOT REGISTERED TO VOTE WHERE YOU LIVE NOW, WOULD YOU LIKE TO APPLY TO REGISTER TO VOTE HERE TODAY?";

(II) IF THE AGENCY PROVIDES PUBLIC ASSISTANCE, THE STATEMENT, "APPLYING TO REGISTER OR DECLINING TO REGISTER TO VOTE WILL NOT AFFECT THE AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE THAT YOU WILL BE PROVIDED BY THIS AGENCY.";

(III) BOXES FOR THE APPLICANT TO CHECK TO INDICATE WHETHER THE APPLICANT WOULD LIKE TO REGISTER OR DECLINES TO REGISTER TO VOTE TOGETHER WITH THE STATEMENT (IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE BOXES AND IN PROMINENT TYPE), "IF YOU DO NOT CHECK EITHER BOX, YOU WILL BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE DECIDED NOT TO REGISTER TO VOTE AT THIS TIME.";

(IV) THE STATEMENT, "IF YOU WOULD LIKE HELP IN FILLING OUT THE VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION FORM, WE WILL HELP YOU. THE DECISION WHETHER TO SEEK OR ACCEPT HELP IS YOURS. YOU MAY FILL OUT THE APPLICATION FORM IN PRIVATE."; AND

(V) THE STATEMENT, "IF YOU BELIEVE THAT SOMEONE HAS INTERFERED WITH YOUR RIGHT TO REGISTER OR TO DECLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE, YOUR RIGHT TO PRIVACY IN DECIDING WHETHER TO REGISTER OR IN APPLYING TO REGISTER TO VOTE, OR YOUR RIGHT TO CHOOSE YOUR OWN POLITICAL PARTY OR OTHER POLITICAL PREFERENCE, YOU MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF ELECTION LAWS, OLD ARMORY, 11 BLADEN STREET, ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21404-0231 OR CALL 1-800-222-VOTE.";

(3) PROVIDE EACH APPLICANT WHO DOES NOT DECLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE AND WHO ACCEPTS ASSISTANCE THE SAME DEGREE OF ASSISTANCE WITH REGARD TO COMPLETION OF THE REGISTRATION APPLICATION ~~FORM~~ AS IS PROVIDED BY THE OFFICE WITH REGARD TO THE COMPLETION OF ITS OWN ~~FORMS~~ APPLICATIONS, UNLESS THE APPLICANT REFUSES SUCH ASSISTANCE; AND