

A bill for an act

relating to elections; specifying criminal penalties for certain violations;
amending Minnesota Statutes 2010, sections 201.054, subdivision 2; 201.27,
subdivision 3; 204C.14.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 201.054, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Prohibitions; penalty.** No individual shall intentionally:

(a) cause or attempt to cause the individual's name to be registered in any precinct if
the individual is not eligible to vote;

(b) cause or attempt to cause the individual's name to be registered for the purpose of
voting in more than one precinct;

(c) misrepresent the individual's identity when attempting to register to vote; or

(d) aid, abet, counsel, or procure any other individual to violate this subdivision.

A violation of this subdivision is a felony punishable by not more than seven years
imprisonment, payment of a fine of not more than \$20,000, or both.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 201.27, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **General penalty.** An individual who intentionally violates any provision
of this chapter is guilty of a felony punishable by not more than seven years imprisonment,
payment of a fine of not more than \$20,000, or both, unless a different penalty is
specifically provided by law.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 204C.14, is amended to read:

204C.14 UNLAWFUL VOTING; PENALTY.

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2.1 No individual shall intentionally:

2.2 (a) misrepresent the individual's identity in applying for a ballot, depositing a
2.3 ballot in a ballot box or attempting to vote by means of a voting machine or electronic
2.4 voting system;

2.5 (b) vote more than once at the same election;

2.6 (c) put a ballot in a ballot box for any illegal purpose;

2.7 (d) give more than one ballot of the same kind and color to an election judge to
2.8 be placed in a ballot box;

2.9 (e) aid, abet, counsel or procure another to go into any precinct for the purpose
2.10 of voting in that precinct, knowing that the other individual is not eligible to vote in
2.11 that precinct; or

2.12 (f) aid, abet, counsel or procure another to do any act in violation of this section.

2.13 A violation of this section is a felony punishable by not more than seven years
2.14 imprisonment, payment of a fine of not more than \$20,000, or both.

2.15 Sec. 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2.16 Sections 1 to 3 are effective August 1, 2011, and apply to violations occurring
2.17 on or after that date.