

## IV. STATE-BY-STATE SURVEY

When states regulate voter registration drives, it directly affects who participates in the electoral process, and who is permitted to assist them. This survey provides a state-by-state snapshot of the following four categories of restrictions.

### 1) Official Volunteer Systems

- Laws requiring official certification or authorization to conduct voter registration drives.

### 2) Training Programs

- Laws offering or requiring a specified course of training before conducting voter registration drives.

### 3) Registration & Reporting Requirements

- Laws requiring groups to first register with the State and maintain or submit various records and reports related to drives.

### 4) Return Deadlines & Penalties

- Laws requiring the submission of collected voter registration applications prior to the general book closing deadline, and imposing penalties for violations of the return deadline or violations of other rules.

For almost every state, the Brennan Center provided the chief election official with an opportunity to edit the summary. Revised drafts were returned to the official for final review.

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## WYOMING

Because election-day registration is permitted in Wyoming, it is exempt from the requirements of the National Voter Registration Act.<sup>1</sup> Election officials in Wyoming do not accept voter registration applications submitted through voter registration drives.<sup>2</sup> Voters must register in-person or by mailing in voter registration applications.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>WYO. STAT. ANN. § 22-3-104(f)(ii) (2010); 42 U.S.C. § 1973gg-2(b)(2) (2006).

<sup>2</sup> 240-16 Wyo. Code. R. § 5 (Lexis Nexis 2012); Correspondence from Peggy Nighswonger, State Election Dir., Wyo Sec. of State, to Lianna Reagan Research Assoc., Brennan Ctr. for Justice (April 12, 2012) (on file with the author).

<sup>3</sup> WYO. STAT. ANN. § 22-3-104(d) (2010).

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