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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The county clerk’s office shall provide an individual or organization a reasonable number of voter registration forms including the federal mail-in application form. Under Kentucky law, any individual or group receiving forms shall act under the proper supervision and directions of the county clerk and shall return completed forms to the county clerk for official registration.1 According to the Kentucky Board of Elections, the requirement to act under “proper supervision and directions” consists of the organization following all applicable laws and rules and reading the publicly available check list for voter registration drives.2

Kentucky law also prohibits voter registration drives from compensating individuals based upon the number, or characteristics of, persons they help register.3 A violation is a class B misdemeanor punishable by a maximum 90-day prison term of up to 90 days4 and a $250 maximum fine.5

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View the full report at:
http://www.brennancenter.org/content/resource/state_restrictions_on_voter_registration_drives/

2 Telephone Interview with Anne Vansant, Staff Member, Kentucky Bd. of Elections (March 14, 2012). The check list is available at http://elect.ky.gov/voterinfo/Pages/checklistforvoterregistrationdrive.aspx.
3 KY. REV. STAT. ANN. § 119.207 (Lexis Nexis 2012).
4 KY. REV. STAT. ANN. § 532.090(2) (Lexis Nexis 2012).
5 KY. REV. STAT. ANN. § 534.040(2)(b) (Lexis Nexis 2012).