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Amend the amendment by inserting after the title the following:

Amend the bill in section 8 in §196-A in subsection 1 in paragraph B in the first line (page 2, line 27 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "party," the following: 'or an'

Amend the bill in section 8 in §196-A in subsection 1 in paragraph B in the 2nd line (page 2, line 28 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "campaign" and inserting the following: 'campaign.'

Amend the amendment by inserting after the first indented paragraph the following:

Amend the bill in section 8 in §196-A in subsection 1 by striking out all of paragraph E and inserting the following:

'E. The Secretary of State or a registrar may make available, upon the request of any other governmental or quasi-governmental entity, certain voter information for that entity's authorized use only. The following information may be provided in electronic form and free of charge: the voter's name, residence address, mailing address, electoral districts, voter status, date of registration or date of change of the voter record if applicable, voter record number and any special designations indicating uniformed service voters, overseas voters or township voters. Data made available under this paragraph may not be used for solicitation or for purposes other than the governmental or quasi-governmental entity's authorized activities and may not be redistributed.

Authorized uses of the data by the Legislature include providing voter information to a Legislator for purposes of communicating with the Legislator's constituents and conducting legislative business.

## SUMMARY

This amendment clarifies that the use and distribution of central voter registration system information for party activities are permitted even if those activities do not relate to a campaign or a so-called "get out the vote" effort. The amendment also adds language that allows a Legislator use of central voter registration system data for purposes of communicating with the Legislator's constituents and conducting legislative business.