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Introduced by:  
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***AN ACT CONCERNING VERIFICATION OF SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRANTS' ADDRESSES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 54-251 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2025*):

3 (a) (1) Any person who has been convicted or found not guilty by  
4 reason of mental disease or defect of a criminal offense against a victim  
5 who is a minor or a nonviolent sexual offense, and is released into the  
6 community on or after October 1, 1998, shall, within three days  
7 following such release or, if such person is in the custody of the  
8 Commissioner of Correction, at such time prior to release as the  
9 commissioner shall direct, and whether or not such person's place of  
10 residence is in this state, register such person's name, identifying factors,  
11 criminal history record, residence address and electronic mail address,  
12 instant message address or other similar Internet communication  
13 identifier, if any, with the Commissioner of Emergency Services and  
14 Public Protection, on such forms and in such locations as the  
15 commissioner shall direct, and shall maintain such registration for ten

16 years from the date of such person's release into the community, except  
17 that any person who has one or more prior convictions of any such  
18 offense or who is convicted of a violation of subdivision (2) of subsection  
19 (a) of section 53a-70 shall maintain such registration for life. Prior to  
20 accepting a plea of guilty or nolo contendere from a person with respect  
21 to a criminal offense against a victim who is a minor or a nonviolent  
22 sexual offense, the court shall [(1)] (A) inform the person that the entry  
23 of a finding of guilty after acceptance of the plea will subject the person  
24 to the registration requirements of this section, and [(2)] (B) determine  
25 that the person fully understands the consequences of the plea. If any  
26 person who is subject to registration under this section changes such  
27 person's name, such person shall, without undue delay, notify the  
28 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection in writing  
29 of the new name. If any person who is subject to registration under this  
30 section changes such person's address, such person shall, without  
31 undue delay, notify the Commissioner of Emergency Services and  
32 Public Protection in writing of the new address and, if the new address  
33 is in another state, such person shall also register with an appropriate  
34 agency in that state, provided that state has a registration requirement  
35 for such offenders. If any person who is subject to registration under this  
36 section establishes or changes an electronic mail address, instant  
37 message address or other similar Internet communication identifier,  
38 such person shall, without undue delay, notify the Commissioner of  
39 Emergency Services and Public Protection in writing of such identifier.  
40 If any person who is subject to registration under this section is  
41 employed at, carries on a vocation at or is a student at a trade or  
42 professional institution or institution of higher learning in this state,  
43 such person shall, without undue delay, notify the Commissioner of  
44 Emergency Services and Public Protection of such status and of any  
45 change in such status. If any person who is subject to registration under  
46 this section is employed in another state, carries on a vocation in another  
47 state or is a student in another state, such person shall, without undue  
48 delay, notify the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public  
49 Protection and shall also register with an appropriate agency in that  
50 state, provided that state has a registration requirement for such

51 offenders.

52       (2) During such period of registration, each registrant shall (A)  
53 complete and return or submit forms mailed to such registrant, as  
54 provided in subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (c) of section 54-257, as  
55 amended by this act, to verify such registrant's residence address, and  
56 [shall] (B) submit to the retaking of a photographic image upon request  
57 of the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection.

58       (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,  
59 the court may exempt any person who has been convicted or found not  
60 guilty by reason of mental disease or defect of a violation of subdivision  
61 (1) of subsection (a) of section 53a-71 from the registration requirements  
62 of this section if the court finds that such person was under nineteen  
63 years of age at the time of the offense and that registration is not  
64 required for public safety.

65       (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,  
66 the court may exempt any person who has been convicted or found not  
67 guilty by reason of mental disease or defect of a violation of subdivision  
68 (2) of subsection (a) of section 53a-73a or subdivision (2), (3) or (4) of  
69 subsection (a) of section 53a-189a, from the registration requirements of  
70 this section if the court finds that registration is not required for public  
71 safety.

72       (d) Any person who files an application with the court to be  
73 exempted from the registration requirements of this section pursuant to  
74 subsection (b) or (c) of this section shall, pursuant to subsection (b) of  
75 section 54-227, notify the Office of Victim Services and the Victim  
76 Services Unit within the Department of Correction of the filing of such  
77 application. The Office of Victim Services or the Victim Services Unit  
78 within the Department of Correction, or both, shall, pursuant to section  
79 54-230 or 54-230a, notify any victim who has requested notification of  
80 the filing of such application. Prior to granting or denying such  
81 application, the court shall consider any information or statement  
82 provided by the victim.

83 (e) (1) Any person who violates the provisions of subdivision (1) of  
 84 subsection (a) of this section, subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of  
 85 subsection (a) of this section or subsection (b) of this section, or  
 86 intentionally violates the provisions of subparagraph (A) of subdivision  
 87 (2) of subsection (a) of this section shall be guilty of a class D felony,  
 88 except that, if such person violates the provisions of this section by  
 89 failing to notify the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public  
 90 Protection without undue delay of a change of name, address or status  
 91 or another reportable event, such person shall be subject to such penalty  
 92 if such failure continues for five business days.

93 (2) Any person who without intent violates the provisions of  
 94 subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section shall  
 95 have committed an infraction, except that, if such person did not receive  
 96 the residence address verification form from the Department of  
 97 Emergency Services and Public Protection, such person may request  
 98 such form from the department to be mailed to such person, in which  
 99 case not later than twenty days after such form is postmarked, the  
 100 person shall return or submit such form pursuant to subdivision (1) or  
 101 (2) of subsection (c) of section 54-257, as amended by this act, or such  
 102 person shall have committed an infraction.

103 Sec. 2. Section 54-252 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 104 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2025*):

105 (a) (1) Any person who has been convicted or found not guilty by  
 106 reason of mental disease or defect of a sexually violent offense, and [(1)]  
 107 (A) is released into the community on or after October 1, 1988, and prior  
 108 to October 1, 1998, and resides in this state, shall, on October 1, 1998, or  
 109 within three days of residing in this state, whichever is later, or [(2)] (B)  
 110 is released into the community on or after October 1, 1998, shall, within  
 111 three days following such release or, if such person is in the custody of  
 112 the Commissioner of Correction, at such time prior to release as the  
 113 commissioner shall direct, register such person's name, identifying  
 114 factors and criminal history record, documentation of any treatment  
 115 received by such person for mental abnormality or personality disorder,

116 and such person's residence address and electronic mail address, instant  
117 message address or other similar Internet communication identifier, if  
118 any, with the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public  
119 Protection on such forms and in such locations as said commissioner  
120 shall direct, and shall maintain such registration for life. Prior to  
121 accepting a plea of guilty or nolo contendere from a person with respect  
122 to a sexually violent offense, the court shall [(A)] (i) inform the person  
123 that the entry of a finding of guilty after acceptance of the plea will  
124 subject the person to the registration requirements of this section, and  
125 [(B)] (ii) determine that the person fully understands the consequences  
126 of the plea. If any person who is subject to registration under this section  
127 changes such person's name, such person shall, without undue delay,  
128 notify the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection  
129 in writing of the new name. If any person who is subject to registration  
130 under this section changes such person's address, such person shall,  
131 without undue delay, notify the Commissioner of Emergency Services  
132 and Public Protection in writing of the new address and, if the new  
133 address is in another state, such person shall also register with an  
134 appropriate agency in that state, provided that state has a registration  
135 requirement for such offenders. If any person who is subject to  
136 registration under this section establishes or changes an electronic mail  
137 address, instant message address or other similar Internet  
138 communication identifier, such person shall, without undue delay,  
139 notify the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection  
140 in writing of such identifier. If any person who is subject to registration  
141 under this section is employed at, carries on a vocation at or is a student  
142 at a trade or professional institution or institution of higher learning in  
143 this state, such person shall, without undue delay, notify the  
144 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection of such  
145 status and of any change in such status. If any person who is subject to  
146 registration under this section is employed in another state, carries on a  
147 vocation in another state or is a student in another state, such person  
148 shall, without undue delay, notify the Commissioner of Emergency  
149 Services and Public Protection and shall also register with an  
150 appropriate agency in that state, provided that state has a registration

151 requirement for such offenders.

152       (2) During such period of registration, each registrant shall (A)  
153 complete and return or submit forms mailed to such registrant, as  
154 provided in subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (c) of section 54-257, as  
155 amended by this act, to verify such registrant's residence address, and  
156 [shall] (B) submit to the retaking of a photographic image upon request  
157 of the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection.

158       (b) Any person who has been subject to the registration requirements  
159 of section 54-102r of the general statutes, revised to January 1, 1997, as  
160 amended by section 1 of public act 97-183, shall, not later than three  
161 working days after October 1, 1998, register under this section and  
162 thereafter comply with the provisions of sections 54-102g and 54-250 to  
163 54-258a, inclusive, except that any person who was convicted or found  
164 not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect of an offense that is  
165 classified as a criminal offense against a victim who is a minor under  
166 subdivision (2) of section 54-250 and that is subject to a ten-year period  
167 of registration under section 54-251, as amended by this act, shall  
168 maintain such registration for ten years from the date of such person's  
169 release into the community.

170       (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this  
171 section, during the initial registration period following October 1, 1998,  
172 the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection may  
173 phase in completion of the registration procedure for persons released  
174 into the community prior to said date over the first three months  
175 following said date, and no such person shall be prosecuted for failure  
176 to register under this section during those three months provided such  
177 person complies with the directives of said commissioner regarding  
178 registration procedures.

179       (d) (1) Any person who violates the provisions of subdivision (1) of  
180 subsection (a) of this section, subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of  
181 subsection (a) of this section or subsection (b) of this section, or  
182 intentionally violates the provisions of subparagraph (A) of subdivision

183 (2) of subsection (a) of this section shall be guilty of a class D felony,  
184 except that, if such person violates the provisions of this section by  
185 failing to notify the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public  
186 Protection without undue delay of a change of name, address or status  
187 or another reportable event, such person shall be subject to such penalty  
188 if such failure continues for five business days.

189 (2) Any person who without intent violates the provisions of  
190 subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section shall  
191 have committed an infraction, except that, if such person did not receive  
192 the residence address verification form from the Department of  
193 Emergency Services and Public Protection, such person may request  
194 such form from the department to be mailed to such person, in which  
195 case not later than twenty days after such form is postmarked, the  
196 person shall return or submit such form pursuant to subdivision (1) or  
197 (2) of subsection (c) of section 54-257, as amended by this act, or such  
198 person shall have committed an infraction.

199 Sec. 3. Section 54-253 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
200 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2025*):

201 (a) Any person who has been convicted or found not guilty by reason  
202 of mental disease or defect in any other state, in a federal or military  
203 court or in any foreign jurisdiction of any crime (1) the essential  
204 elements of which are substantially the same as any of the crimes  
205 specified in subdivisions (2), (5) and (11) of section 54-250, or (2) which  
206 requires registration as a sexual offender in such other state or in the  
207 federal or military system, and who resides in this state on and after  
208 October 1, 1998, shall, without undue delay upon residing in this state,  
209 register with the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public  
210 Protection in the same manner as if such person had been convicted or  
211 found not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect of such crime in  
212 this state, except that the commissioner shall maintain such registration  
213 until such person is released from the registration requirement in such  
214 other state, federal or military system or foreign jurisdiction.

215 (b) (1) If any person who is subject to registration under this section  
 216 changes such person's name, such person shall, without undue delay,  
 217 notify the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection  
 218 in writing of the new name. If any person who is subject to registration  
 219 under this section changes such person's address, such person shall,  
 220 without undue delay, notify the Commissioner of Emergency Services  
 221 and Public Protection in writing of the new address and, if the new  
 222 address is in another state, such person shall also register with an  
 223 appropriate agency in that state, provided that state has a registration  
 224 requirement for such offenders. If any person who is subject to  
 225 registration under this section establishes or changes an electronic mail  
 226 address, instant message address or other similar Internet  
 227 communication identifier, such person shall, without undue delay,  
 228 notify the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection  
 229 in writing of such identifier. If any person who is subject to registration  
 230 under this section is employed at, carries on a vocation at or is a student  
 231 at a trade or professional institution or institution of higher learning in  
 232 this state, such person shall, without undue delay, notify the  
 233 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection of such  
 234 status and of any change in such status. If any person who is subject to  
 235 registration under this section is employed in another state, carries on a  
 236 vocation in another state or is a student in another state, such person  
 237 shall, without undue delay, notify the Commissioner of Emergency  
 238 Services and Public Protection and shall also register with an  
 239 appropriate agency in that state, provided that state has a registration  
 240 requirement for such offenders.

241 (2) During such period of registration, each registrant shall (A)  
 242 complete and return or submit forms mailed to such registrant, as  
 243 provided in subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (c) of section 54-257, as  
 244 amended by this act, to verify such registrant's residence address, and  
 245 [shall] (B) submit to the retaking of a photographic image upon request  
 246 of the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection.

247 (c) Any person not a resident of this state who is registered as a sexual  
 248 offender under the laws of any other state and who is employed in this



249 state, carries on a vocation in this state or is a student in this state, shall,  
250 without undue delay after the commencement of such employment,  
251 vocation or education in this state, register such person's name,  
252 identifying factors and criminal history record, locations visited on a  
253 recurring basis, and such person's residence address, if any, in this state,  
254 residence address in such person's home state and electronic mail  
255 address, instant message address or other similar Internet  
256 communication identifier, if any, with the Commissioner of Emergency  
257 Services and Public Protection on such forms and in such locations as  
258 said commissioner shall direct and shall maintain such registration until  
259 such employment, vocation or education terminates or until such  
260 person is released from registration as a sexual offender in such other  
261 state. If such person terminates such person's employment, vocation or  
262 education in this state, changes such person's address in this state or  
263 establishes or changes an electronic mail address, instant message  
264 address or other similar Internet communication identifier such person  
265 shall, without undue delay, notify the Commissioner of Emergency  
266 Services and Public Protection in writing of such termination, new  
267 address or identifier.

268 (d) Any person not a resident of this state who is registered as a sexual  
269 offender under the laws of any other state and who travels in this state  
270 on a recurring basis for periods of less than five days shall notify the  
271 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection of such  
272 person's temporary residence in this state and of a telephone number at  
273 which such person may be contacted.

274 (e) (1) Any person who violates the provisions of subsection (a) of this  
275 section, subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section, subparagraph  
276 (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of this section, subsection (c) of  
277 this section or subsection (d) of this section, or intentionally violates the  
278 provisions of subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of  
279 this section shall be guilty of a class D felony, except that, if such person  
280 violates the provisions of this section by failing to register with the  
281 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection without  
282 undue delay or notify the Commissioner of Emergency Services and

283 Public Protection without undue delay of a change of name, address or  
284 status or another reportable event, such person shall be subject to such  
285 penalty if such failure continues for five business days.

286 (2) Any person who without intent violates the provisions of  
287 subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of this section shall  
288 have committed an infraction, except that, if such person did not receive  
289 the residence address verification form from the Department of  
290 Emergency Services and Public Protection, such person may request  
291 such form from the department to be mailed to such person, in which  
292 case not later than twenty days after such form is postmarked, the  
293 person shall return or submit such form pursuant to subdivision (1) or  
294 (2) of subsection (c) of section 54-257, as amended by this act, or such  
295 person shall have committed an infraction.

296 Sec. 4. Section 54-254 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
297 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2025*):

298 (a) (1) Any person who has been convicted or found not guilty by  
299 reason of mental disease or defect in this state on or after October 1, 1998,  
300 of any felony that the court finds was committed for a sexual purpose,  
301 may be required by the court upon release into the community or, if  
302 such person is in the custody of the Commissioner of Correction, at such  
303 time prior to release as the commissioner shall direct to register such  
304 person's name, identifying factors, criminal history record, residence  
305 address and electronic mail address, instant message address or other  
306 similar Internet communication identifier, if any, with the  
307 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, on such  
308 forms and in such locations as the commissioner shall direct, and to  
309 maintain such registration for ten years from the date of such person's  
310 release into the community. If the court finds that a person has  
311 committed a felony for a sexual purpose and intends to require such  
312 person to register under this section, prior to accepting a plea of guilty  
313 or nolo contendere from such person with respect to such felony, the  
314 court shall ~~[(1)]~~ (A) inform the person that the entry of a finding of guilty  
315 after acceptance of the plea will subject the person to the registration

316 requirements of this section, and [(2)] (B) determine that the person fully  
 317 understands the consequences of the plea. If any person who is subject  
 318 to registration under this section changes such person's name, such  
 319 person shall, without undue delay, notify the Commissioner of  
 320 Emergency Services and Public Protection in writing of the new name.  
 321 If any person who is subject to registration under this section changes  
 322 such person's address, such person shall, without undue delay, notify  
 323 the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection in  
 324 writing of the new address and, if the new address is in another state,  
 325 such person shall also register with an appropriate agency in that state,  
 326 provided that state has a registration requirement for such offenders. If  
 327 any person who is subject to registration under this section establishes  
 328 or changes an electronic mail address, instant message address or other  
 329 similar Internet communication identifier, such person shall, without  
 330 undue delay, notify the Commissioner of Emergency Services and  
 331 Public Protection in writing of such identifier. If any person who is  
 332 subject to registration under this section is employed at, carries on a  
 333 vocation at or is a student at a trade or professional institution or  
 334 institution of higher learning in this state, such person shall, without  
 335 undue delay, notify the Commissioner of Emergency Services and  
 336 Public Protection of such status and of any change in such status. If any  
 337 person who is subject to registration under this section is employed in  
 338 another state, carries on a vocation in another state or is a student in  
 339 another state, such person shall, without undue delay, notify the  
 340 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection and shall  
 341 also register with an appropriate agency in that state, provided that state  
 342 has a registration requirement for such offenders.

343 (2) During such period of registration, each registrant shall (A)  
 344 complete and return or submit forms mailed to such registrant, as  
 345 provided in subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (c) of section 54-257, as  
 346 amended by this act, to verify such registrant's residence address, and  
 347 [shall] (B) submit to the retaking of a photographic image upon request  
 348 of the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection.

349 (b) (1) Any person who violates the provisions of subdivision (1) of

350 subsection (a) of this section or subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of  
 351 subsection (a) of this section, or intentionally violates the provisions of  
 352 subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section shall  
 353 be guilty of a class D felony, except that, if such person violates the  
 354 provisions of this section by failing to notify the Commissioner of  
 355 Emergency Services and Public Protection without undue delay of a  
 356 change of name, address or status or another reportable event, such  
 357 person shall be subject to such penalty if such failure continues for five  
 358 business days.

359 (2) Any person who without intent violates the provisions of  
 360 subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section shall  
 361 have committed an infraction, except that, if such person did not receive  
 362 the residence address verification form from the Department of  
 363 Emergency Services and Public Protection, such person may request  
 364 such form from the department to be mailed to such person, in which  
 365 case not later than twenty days after such form is postmarked, the  
 366 person shall return or submit such form pursuant to subdivision (1) or  
 367 (2) of subsection (c) of section 54-257, as amended by this act, or such  
 368 person shall have committed an infraction.

369 Sec. 5. Section 54-257 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 370 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2025*):

371 (a) The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection  
 372 shall, not later than January 1, 1999, establish and maintain a registry of  
 373 all persons required to register under sections 54-251, as amended by  
 374 this act, 54-252, as amended by this act, 54-253, as amended by this act,  
 375 and 54-254, as amended by this act. The department shall, in cooperation  
 376 with the Office of the Chief Court Administrator, the Department of  
 377 Correction and the Psychiatric Security Review Board, develop  
 378 appropriate forms for use by agencies and individuals to report  
 379 registration information, including changes of residence address. Upon  
 380 receipt of registration information, the department shall enter the  
 381 information into the registry and notify the local police department or  
 382 state police troop having jurisdiction where the registrant resides or

383 plans to reside. If a registrant notifies the Department of Emergency  
384 Services and Public Protection that such registrant is employed at,  
385 carries on a vocation at or is a student at a trade or professional  
386 institution or institution of higher learning in this state, the department  
387 shall notify the law enforcement agency with jurisdiction over such  
388 institution. If a registrant reports a residence in another state, the  
389 department shall notify the state police agency of that state or such other  
390 agency in that state that maintains registry information, if known. The  
391 department shall also transmit all registration information, conviction  
392 data, photographic images and fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of  
393 Investigation in such form as said bureau shall require for inclusion in a  
394 national registry.

395 (b) The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection  
396 may suspend the registration of any person registered under section 54-  
397 251, as amended by this act, 54-252, as amended by this act, 54-253, as  
398 amended by this act, or 54-254, as amended by this act, while such  
399 person is incarcerated, under civil commitment or residing outside this  
400 state. During the period that such registration is under suspension, the  
401 department is not required to verify the residence address of the  
402 registrant pursuant to subsection (c) of this section and may withdraw  
403 the registration information from public access. Upon the release of the  
404 registrant from incarceration or civil commitment or resumption of  
405 residency in this state by the registrant, the department shall reinstate  
406 the registration, redistribute the registration information in accordance  
407 with subsection (a) of this section and resume verifying the residence  
408 address of the registrant in accordance with subsection (c) of this  
409 section. Suspension of registration shall not affect the date of expiration  
410 of the registration obligation of the registrant under section 54-251, as  
411 amended by this act, 54-252, as amended by this act, or 54-253, as  
412 amended by this act.

413 (c) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the  
414 Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection shall verify  
415 the residence address of each registrant by mailing a nonforwardable  
416 verification form to the registrant at the registrant's last reported

417 residence address. Such form shall require the registrant to sign a  
 418 statement that the registrant continues to reside at the registrant's last  
 419 reported residence address and return or submit the form (1) prior to  
 420 January 1, 2026, by mail, facsimile or electronic mail, and (2) on and after  
 421 January 1, 2026, by mail, facsimile, electronic mail or submission of the  
 422 form orally pursuant to subsection (g) of this section by a date which is  
 423 [ten] twenty days after the date such form [was mailed to the registrant]  
 424 is postmarked. The form shall contain a statement that failure to return  
 425 or submit the form or providing false information is a violation of  
 426 section 54-251, as amended by this act, 54-252, as amended by this act,  
 427 54-253, as amended by this act, or 54-254, as amended by this act, as the  
 428 case may be. In the case of a registrant who resides at a residence  
 429 address for which there is no residential mail delivery, the local police  
 430 department or the state police troop having jurisdiction where the  
 431 registrant resides shall verify in person such registrant's residence  
 432 address. Each person required to register under section 54-251, as  
 433 amended by this act, 54-252, as amended by this act, 54-253, as amended  
 434 by this act, or 54-254, as amended by this act, shall have such person's  
 435 residence address verified in such manner every ninety days after such  
 436 person's initial registration date. In the event that a registrant fails to  
 437 return or submit the residence address verification form, the  
 438 Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection shall notify  
 439 the local police department or the state police troop having jurisdiction  
 440 over the registrant's last reported residence address, and that agency  
 441 shall apply for a warrant to be issued for the registrant's arrest under  
 442 section 54-251, as amended by this act, 54-252, as amended by this act,  
 443 54-253, as amended by this act, or 54-254, as amended by this act, as the  
 444 case may be, if there is probable cause that a registrant's failure to return  
 445 or submit the address verification form was intentional. The  
 446 Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection shall not  
 447 verify the address of registrants whose last reported residence address  
 448 was outside this state.

449 (d) The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection  
 450 shall include in the registry the most recent photographic image of each

451 registrant taken by the department, the Department of Correction, a law  
452 enforcement agency or the Court Support Services Division of the  
453 Judicial Department and shall retake the photographic image of each  
454 registrant at least once every five years.

455 (e) Whenever the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public  
456 Protection receives notice from a superior court pursuant to section 52-  
457 11 or a probate court pursuant to section 45a-99 that such court has  
458 ordered the change of name of a person, and the department determines  
459 that such person is listed in the registry, the department shall revise such  
460 person's registration information accordingly.

461 (f) The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection  
462 shall develop a protocol for the notification of other state agencies, the  
463 Judicial Department and local police departments whenever a person  
464 listed in the registry changes such person's name and notifies the  
465 commissioner of the new name pursuant to section 54-251, as amended  
466 by this act, 54-252, as amended by this act, 54-253, as amended by this  
467 act, or 54-254, as amended by this act, or whenever the commissioner  
468 determines pursuant to subsection (e) of this section that a person listed  
469 in the registry has changed such person's name.

470 (g) Not later than January 1, 2026, the Commissioner of Emergency  
471 Services and Public Protection shall establish and implement a system  
472 for a registrant to verify such registrant's residential address by orally  
473 submitting such form by telephone. The commissioner shall establish  
474 protocol for the submission and recording of such verification. The  
475 commissioner shall post on the Internet web site of the Department of  
476 Emergency Services and Public Protection the telephone number and  
477 the schedule of operation for such system.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2025</i>	54-251
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2025</i>	54-252
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2025</i>	54-253

Sec. 4	<i>October 1, 2025</i>	54-254
Sec. 5	<i>October 1, 2025</i>	54-257

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