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## Bill Analysis

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### Summary

- Requires the commissioners of jurors to include persons issued a driver's license or state identification card and persons who are or will be 18 on the day of the general election to the annual jury source list that must be compiled by the commissioners of jurors of each county.

### Detailed Analysis

#### Jury source list

The bill requires the annual jury source list compiled by the commissioners of jurors of each county to include a list of every resident of the county who meets the following requirements:

- The person has been issued a driver's license, commercial driver's license, or state identification card that is valid on the date the jury source list is compiled;
- The person is or will be 18 years old or older on the day of the general election of the year in which the jury source list is filed;
- The person, regardless of whether they are actually registered to vote, would be an elector if the person was eligible to vote.

Under current law, commissioners are permitted, but not required, to add the people referenced above to the jury source list. Continuing law requires that the jury source list also contain all names from the current voter list. Upon merging the two lists, any duplication must be eliminated. The annual jury source list does not include the names of jurors permanently excused from jury service and the names of jurors discharged for past jury service.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> R.C. 2313.06.

## Background – drawing jurors

Under continuing law, annual jury source lists are used by county commissioners of jurors to draw names for jury service. While any manual, electronic, or automated method may be used to select jurors, the method used must provide each person on the jury source list with an equal, random probability of selection.<sup>2</sup>

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### History

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<sup>2</sup> R.C. 2313.09, not in the bill.