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**Title:** Creating Sec. 32.06(5) of the Madison General Ordinances to require landlords to provide a voter registration form to tenant at the time the tenant takes possession of the residence.

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7/3/2012	1	COMMON COUNCIL	Referred	
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There may be a small increase in printing expense if the Clerk needs to print additional forms; however, no additional appropriation is required at this time.

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DRAFTER'S ANALYSIS: This ordinance adds voter registration forms to the documents that a landlord must provide a tenant at the start of the tenancy. The forms are available from the City Clerk or may be downloaded from the City Clerk's website. The ordinance also requires landlords to provide each residential unit with an information sheet on how to register.

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The Common Council of the City of Madison do hereby ordain as follows:

Subsection (5) entitled "Voter Registration Forms" of Section 32.06 entitled "Rental Agreements and Receipts" of the Madison General Ordinances is created to read as follows:

"(5) Voter Registration Forms. In order to increase citizen participation in elections, and in light of the many tenants residing in the City of Madison, every landlord shall provide a tenant with a voter registration form at the time the tenant takes possession of the residence. The voter registration form shall be the form made available by the City Clerk or as downloaded from the City Clerk's website. The landlord shall also provide each residential unit with the "How to Register" information available from the City Clerk."