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Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT

Introduced by:  
(GOS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING VOTING PROCEDURES FOR AND STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION OVERSIGHT OF FIRE DISTRICTS.***

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2027*) (a) The provisions of this  
2 section shall apply to each fire district within the state, whether  
3 operating under a special act or under sections 7-324 to 7-329, inclusive,  
4 of the general statutes, and shall be in addition to the provisions of any  
5 such special act or of said sections, as applicable. Where there is any  
6 conflict between a provision of any such special act or of said sections  
7 and this section, the provisions of this section shall apply.

8 (b) At each annual or special meeting of a fire district, for the election  
9 of fire district officers or the transaction of such other business as may  
10 properly come before such meeting, each item on the call of such  
11 meeting shall be submitted to the persons qualified to vote in such  
12 meeting for a vote by paper ballots. Only those such persons present at  
13 such meeting shall be permitted to cast a vote, and no person shall be  
14 permitted to cast a vote by absentee ballot.

15 (c) Any person qualified to vote in a meeting of a fire district  
16 described in subsection (b) of this section who claims to be aggrieved by  
17 a violation of the provisions of this section, or of section 7-327 of the  
18 general statutes, as amended by this act, applicable to such fire district,  
19 may file a written complaint under oath with the State Elections  
20 Enforcement Commission alleging such violation. Upon receipt of such  
21 complaint, the commission may exercise with respect to such fire district  
22 the duties and powers set forth in section 9-7b of the general statutes, as  
23 amended by this act, and render a decision on such complaint. Any  
24 party aggrieved by the decision of the commission may appeal such  
25 decision to the Superior Court in accordance with the provisions of  
26 section 4-183 of the general statutes. In any such appeal to the Superior  
27 Court or any subsequent judicial proceeding related to such violation,  
28 the court may (1) award reasonable attorneys' fees, litigation costs and  
29 punitive damages, in addition to any civil penalties levied by the  
30 commission, (2) hold any fire district officer personally liable for such  
31 fees, costs and penalties whenever the court finds such fire district  
32 officer to have knowingly and wilfully engaged in such violation or any  
33 other similar malfeasance related to voting procedures at such meeting,  
34 and (3) grant such other relief as the court deems appropriate, including,  
35 but not limited to, ordering that a new vote be taken for the election of  
36 fire district officers or the transaction of such other business as may  
37 properly come before such meeting.

38 Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 9-7b of the 2026 supplement to the  
39 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
40 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2027*):

41 (a) The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall have the  
42 following duties and powers:

43 (1) (A) To make investigations on its own initiative or with respect to  
44 statements filed with the commission by the Secretary of the State, any  
45 town clerk or any registrar of voters or upon written complaint under  
46 oath by any individual, with respect to alleged violations of any

47 provision of the general statutes relating to any election or referendum,  
48 any primary held pursuant to section 9-423, 9-425 or 9-464 or any  
49 primary held pursuant to a special act, [and to] or upon written  
50 complaint under oath by any eligible voter of a fire district, with respect  
51 to alleged violations of any provision of section 1 of this act or section 7-  
52 327, as amended by this act, applicable to fire districts relating to a vote  
53 at a meeting of such fire district;

54 (B) To hold hearings when the commission deems necessary to  
55 investigate violations of any provisions of the general statutes relating  
56 to any such election, primary, [or] referendum or vote at a meeting of a  
57 fire district, and for the purpose of such hearings the commission may  
58 administer oaths, examine witnesses and receive oral and documentary  
59 evidence, and shall have the power to subpoena witnesses under  
60 procedural rules the commission shall adopt, to compel their attendance  
61 and to require the production for examination of any books and papers  
62 which the commission deems relevant to any matter under investigation  
63 or in question. Until the commission determines that it is necessary to  
64 investigate a violation, commission members and staff shall keep  
65 confidential any information concerning a complaint or preliminary  
66 investigation, except upon request of the treasurer, deputy treasurer,  
67 chairperson or candidate affiliated with a committee that is the subject  
68 of the complaint or preliminary investigation; [.]

69 (C) In connection with its investigation of any alleged violation of any  
70 provision of chapter 145, [or] of any provision of section 9-359 or section  
71 9-359a, or of any provision of section 7-327, as amended by this act,  
72 applicable to fire districts or section 1 of this act, the commission shall  
73 also have the power to subpoena any municipal clerk or clerk of a fire  
74 district and to require the production for examination of any absentee  
75 ballot, inner and outer envelope from which any such ballot has been  
76 removed, depository envelope containing any such ballot or inner or  
77 outer envelope as provided in sections 9-150a and 9-150b and any other  
78 record, form or document as provided in section 9-150b, in connection  
79 with the election, primary, [or] referendum or vote at a meeting of a fire

80 district to which the investigation relates. In case of a refusal to comply  
81 with any subpoena issued pursuant to this subsection or to testify with  
82 respect to any matter upon which that person may be lawfully  
83 interrogated, the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford, on  
84 application of the commission, may issue an order requiring such  
85 person to comply with such subpoena and to testify; failure to obey any  
86 such order of the court may be punished by the court as a contempt  
87 thereof. In any matter under investigation which concerns the operation  
88 or inspection of or outcome recorded on any voting tabulator, the  
89 commission may issue an order to the registrars of voters or clerk of the  
90 fire district to impound such tabulator until the investigation is  
91 completed;

92 (2) To levy a civil penalty not to exceed (A) two thousand dollars per  
93 offense against any person the commission finds to be in violation of  
94 any provision of chapter 145, part V of chapter 146, part I of chapter 147,  
95 chapter 148, section 7-9, section 7-327, as amended by this act, applicable  
96 to fire districts, section 9-12, subsection (a) of section 9-17, section 9-19b,  
97 9-19e, 9-19g to 9-19k, inclusive, 9-20, 9-21, 9-23a, 9-23g, 9-23h, 9-23j to 9-  
98 23o, inclusive, 9-23r, 9-26, 9-31a, 9-32, 9-35, 9-35b, 9-35c, 9-40a, 9-42, 9-  
99 43, 9-50a, 9-56, 9-59, 9-163aa, 9-168d, 9-170, 9-171, 9-172, 9-232i to 9-232o,  
100 inclusive, 9-404a to 9-404c, inclusive, 9-409, 9-410, 9-412, 9-436, 9-436a,  
101 9-453e to 9-453h, inclusive, 9-453k or 9-453o, or section 1 of this act, (B)  
102 two thousand dollars per offense against any town clerk, registrar of  
103 voters, an appointee or designee of a town clerk or registrar of voters,  
104 fire district officer or any other election or primary official whom the  
105 commission finds to have failed to discharge a duty imposed by any  
106 provision of chapter 146 or 147, or section 7-327, as amended by this act,  
107 applicable to fire districts or section 1 of this act, (C) two thousand  
108 dollars per offense against any person the commission finds to have (i)  
109 improperly voted in any election, primary, [or] referendum or meeting  
110 of a fire district, and (ii) not been legally qualified to vote in such  
111 election, primary, [or] referendum or meeting, or (D) two thousand  
112 dollars per offense or twice the amount of any improper payment or

113 contribution, whichever is greater, against any person the commission  
114 finds to be in violation of any provision of chapter 155 or 157. The  
115 commission may levy a civil penalty against any person under  
116 subparagraph (A), (B), (C) or (D) of this subdivision only after giving  
117 the person an opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in  
118 accordance with sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive. In the case of failure  
119 to pay any such penalty levied pursuant to this subsection within thirty  
120 days of written notice sent by certified or registered mail to such person,  
121 the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford, on application of  
122 the commission, may issue an order requiring such person to pay the  
123 penalty imposed and such court costs, state marshal's fees and  
124 attorney's fees incurred by the commission as the court may determine.  
125 Any civil penalties paid, collected or recovered under subparagraph (D)  
126 of this subdivision for a violation of any provision of chapter 155  
127 applying to the office of the Treasurer shall be deposited on a pro rata  
128 basis in any trust funds, as defined in section 3-13c, affected by such  
129 violation; [.]

130 (3) (A) To issue an order requiring any person the commission finds  
131 to have received any contribution or payment which is prohibited by  
132 any of the provisions of chapter 155 or 157, after an opportunity to be  
133 heard at a hearing conducted in accordance with the provisions of  
134 sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive, to return such contribution or  
135 payment to the donor or payor, or to remit such contribution or payment  
136 to the state for deposit in the General Fund or the Citizens' Election  
137 Fund, whichever is deemed necessary to effectuate the purposes of  
138 chapter 155 or 157, as the case may be;

139 (B) To issue an order when the commission finds that an intentional  
140 violation of any provision of chapter 155 or 157 has been committed,  
141 after an opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in accordance  
142 with sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive, which order may contain one or  
143 more of the following sanctions: (i) Removal of a treasurer, deputy  
144 treasurer or solicitor; (ii) prohibition on serving as a treasurer, deputy  
145 treasurer or solicitor; and (iii) in the case of a party committee or a

146 political committee, suspension of all political activities, including, but  
147 not limited to, the receipt of contributions and the making of  
148 expenditures, provided the commission may not order such a  
149 suspension unless the commission has previously ordered the removal  
150 of the treasurer and notifies the officers of the committee that the  
151 commission is considering such suspension;

152 (C) To issue an order revoking any person's eligibility to be appointed  
153 or serve as an election, primary or referendum official or unofficial  
154 checker or in any capacity at the polls on the day of an election, a  
155 primary, [or] a referendum or a meeting of a fire district, when the  
156 commission finds such person has intentionally violated any provision  
157 of the general statutes or section 1 of this act relating to the conduct of  
158 an election, a primary, [or] a referendum or a meeting of a fire district,  
159 after an opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in accordance  
160 with sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive;

161 (D) To issue an order to enforce the provisions of the Help America  
162 Vote Act, P.L. 107-252, as amended from time to time, as the commission  
163 deems appropriate;

164 (E) To issue an order following the commission's determination of the  
165 right of an individual to be or remain an elector when such  
166 determination is made (i) pursuant to an appeal taken to the commission  
167 from a decision of the registrars of voters or board of admission of  
168 electors under section 9-31l, or (ii) following the commission's  
169 investigation pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection;

170 (F) To issue a cease and desist order for violation of any general  
171 statute or regulation under the commission's jurisdiction and to take  
172 reasonable actions necessary to compel compliance with such statute or  
173 regulation;

174 (4) To issue an order to a candidate committee that receives moneys  
175 from the Citizens' Election Fund pursuant to chapter 157, to comply  
176 with the provisions of chapter 157, after an opportunity to be heard at a

177 hearing conducted in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-176e  
178 to 4-184, inclusive;

179 (5) (A) To inspect or audit at any reasonable time and upon  
180 reasonable notice the accounts or records of any treasurer or principal  
181 treasurer, except as provided for in subparagraph (B) of this  
182 subdivision, as required by chapter 155 or 157 and to audit any such  
183 election, primary or referendum held within the state; provided, (i) (I)  
184 not later than two months preceding the day of an election at which a  
185 candidate is seeking election, the commission shall complete any audit  
186 it has initiated in the absence of a complaint that involves a committee  
187 of the same candidate from a previous election, and (II) during the two-  
188 month period preceding the day of an election at which a candidate is  
189 seeking election, the commission shall not initiate an audit in the  
190 absence of a complaint that involves a committee of the same candidate  
191 from a previous election, and (ii) the commission shall not audit any  
192 caucus, as defined in subdivision (1) of section 9-372; [.]

193 (B) When conducting an audit after an election or primary, the  
194 commission shall randomly audit not more than twenty per cent of  
195 candidate committees, which shall be selected through the process of a  
196 weighted lottery conducted by the commission that takes into account  
197 the selection frequency of a district served by the office of state senator  
198 or state representative, as applicable, for the immediately preceding  
199 three regular elections for such office and increases or decreases the  
200 likelihood that such district will be selected for audit based on such  
201 selection frequency, except that the commissioner shall audit all  
202 candidate committees for candidates for a state-wide office. Any such  
203 lottery shall be duly noticed and open to the public; [.]

204 (C) The commission shall notify, in writing, any committee of a  
205 candidate for an office in the general election, or of any candidate who  
206 had a primary for nomination to any such office, of its selection for an  
207 audit not later than May thirty-first of the year immediately following  
208 such election. In no case shall the commission audit any such candidate

209 committee that the commission fails to provide notice to in accordance  
210 with this subparagraph; [.]

211 (D) Not later than twelve months after the selection of candidate  
212 committees through the lottery described in subparagraph (B) of this  
213 subdivision, the commission shall complete the audit of each candidate  
214 committee so selected and issue the commission's findings. Not later  
215 than January 1, 2026, and annually thereafter, the commission shall  
216 submit a report to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly  
217 having cognizance of matters relating to government oversight, in  
218 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, concerning whether  
219 there were any audits during the preceding calendar year that the  
220 commission was unable to complete during such twelve-month period  
221 and, if so, the reasons for such inability to complete such audits;

222 (6) To attempt to secure voluntary compliance, by informal methods  
223 of conference, conciliation and persuasion, with any provision of  
224 chapter 149, 151 to 153, inclusive, 155, 156 or 157, section 7-327, as  
225 amended by this act, applicable to fire districts, section 1 of this act or  
226 any other provision of the general statutes relating to any such election,  
227 primary, [or] referendum or meeting of a fire district;

228 (7) To consult with the Secretary of the State, the Chief State's  
229 Attorney or the Attorney General on any matter which the commission  
230 deems appropriate;

231 (8) To refer to the Chief State's Attorney evidence bearing upon  
232 violation of any provision of chapter 149, 151 to 153, inclusive, 155, 156  
233 or 157 or any other provision of the general statutes pertaining to or  
234 relating to any such election, primary or referendum;

235 (9) To refer to the Attorney General evidence for injunctive relief and  
236 any other ancillary equitable relief in the circumstances of subdivision  
237 (8) of this subsection. Nothing in this subdivision shall preclude a  
238 person who claims that he is aggrieved by a violation of any provision  
239 of chapter 152 or any other provision of the general statutes relating to

240 referenda from pursuing injunctive and any other ancillary equitable  
241 relief directly from the Superior Court by the filing of a complaint;

242 (10) To refer to the Attorney General evidence pertaining to any  
243 ruling which the commission finds to be in error made by election  
244 officials in connection with any election, primary or referendum. Those  
245 remedies and procedures available to parties claiming to be aggrieved  
246 under the provisions of sections 9-323, 9-324, 9-328 and 9-329a shall  
247 apply to any complaint brought by the Attorney General as a result of  
248 the provisions of this subdivision;

249 (11) To consult with the United States Department of Justice and the  
250 United States Attorney for Connecticut on any investigation pertaining  
251 to a violation of this section, section 9-12, subsection (a) of section 9-17  
252 or section 9-19b, 9-19e, 9-19g, 9-19h, 9-19i, 9-20, 9-21, 9-23a, 9-23g, 9-23h,  
253 9-23j to 9-23o, inclusive, 9-26, 9-31a, 9-32, 9-35, 9-35b, 9-35c, 9-40a, 9-42,  
254 9-43, 9-50a, 9-56 or 9-59 and to refer to said department and attorney  
255 evidence bearing upon any such violation for prosecution under the  
256 provisions of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993, P.L. 103-31, as  
257 amended from time to time;

258 (12) To inspect reports filed with town clerks pursuant to chapter 155  
259 and refer to the Chief State's Attorney evidence bearing upon any  
260 violation of law therein if such violation was committed knowingly and  
261 wilfully;

262 (13) To intervene in any action brought pursuant to the provisions of  
263 sections 9-323, 9-324, 9-328 and 9-329a upon application to the court in  
264 which such action is brought when in the opinion of the court it is  
265 necessary to preserve evidence of possible criminal violation of the  
266 election laws;

267 (14) To (A) adopt and publish regulations and issue declaratory  
268 rulings pursuant to chapter 54 to carry out the provisions of section 9-  
269 7a, this section, and chapters 155 and 157, (B) issue upon request and  
270 publish advisory opinions in the Connecticut Law Journal upon the

271 requirements of chapters 155 and 157, (C) subject to the provisions of  
272 subsection (c) of this section, issue and publish guidance documents  
273 relating to the requirements of chapters 155 and 157, and (D) make  
274 recommendations to the General Assembly concerning suggested  
275 revisions of the election laws, except that the commission shall not issue  
276 any declaratory ruling or advisory opinion relating to the provisions of  
277 chapter 157 during the one-hundred-eighty-day period immediately  
278 preceding a state election, provided nothing in this subdivision shall be  
279 construed to limit the commission's ability during such period to  
280 provide general guidance and clarification relating to the provisions of  
281 chapter 157;

282 (15) To the extent that the [Elections Enforcement Commission]  
283 commission is involved in the investigation of alleged or suspected  
284 criminal violations of any provision of the general statutes or section 1  
285 of this act pertaining to or relating to any such election, primary, [or]  
286 referendum or meeting of a fire district and is engaged in such  
287 investigation for the purpose of presenting evidence to the Chief State's  
288 Attorney, the [Elections Enforcement Commission] commission shall be  
289 deemed a law enforcement agency for purposes of subdivision (3) of  
290 subsection (b) of section 1-210, provided nothing in this section shall be  
291 construed to exempt the [Elections Enforcement Commission]  
292 commission in any other respect from the requirements of the Freedom  
293 of Information Act, as defined in section 1-200;

294 (16) To enter into such contractual agreements as may be necessary  
295 for the discharge of its duties, within the limits of its appropriated funds  
296 and in accordance with established procedures;

297 (17) To provide the Secretary of the State with notice and copies of all  
298 decisions rendered by the commission in contested cases, advisory  
299 opinions and declaratory judgments, at the time such decisions,  
300 judgments and opinions are made or issued;

301 (18) To receive and determine complaints filed under the Help

302 America Vote Act, P.L. 107-252, as amended from time to time, by any  
303 person who believes there is a violation of any provision of Title III of  
304 P.L. 107-252, as amended from time to time. Any complaint filed under  
305 this subdivision shall be in writing, notarized and signed and sworn by  
306 the person filing the complaint. At the request of the complainant, there  
307 shall be a hearing on the record, conducted in accordance with sections  
308 4-167e to 4-184, inclusive. The commission shall make a final  
309 determination with respect to a complaint prior to the expiration of the  
310 ninety-day period beginning on the date the complaint is filed, unless  
311 the complainant consents to a longer period for making such  
312 determination. If the commission fails to meet the applicable deadline  
313 under this subdivision with respect to a complaint, the commission shall  
314 resolve the complaint within sixty days after the expiration of such  
315 ninety-day period under an alternative dispute resolution procedure  
316 established by the commission.

317 Sec. 3. Section 7-327 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
318 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2027*):

319 (a) At the meeting called for the purpose of establishing a district, as  
320 provided in section 7-325, the voters shall, by ordinance, fix the date of  
321 the annual meeting of the voters for the election of district officers and  
322 transaction of such other business as may properly come before such  
323 annual meeting. At the organization meeting of the district, the voters  
324 shall elect from their number a president, vice president, five directors,  
325 a clerk and a treasurer to serve until the first annual meeting for the  
326 election of officers and thereafter such officers shall be elected annually.  
327 Not fewer than fifteen voters of the district shall constitute a quorum for  
328 the transaction of business at the organization meeting of the district;  
329 and if fifteen voters are not present at such meeting, the selectmen may  
330 adjourn such meeting from time to time, until at least fifteen voters are  
331 present. Special meetings of the district may be called on the application  
332 of ten per cent of the total number of persons qualified to vote in the  
333 meeting of a district or twenty of the voters of such district, whichever  
334 is less, or by the president or any three directors upon giving notice as

335 hereinafter provided. Any special meeting called on the application of  
336 the voters shall be held within twenty-one days after receiving such  
337 application. Notice of the holding of the annual meeting and all special  
338 meetings shall be given by publication of a notice of such meetings in a  
339 newspaper having a general circulation in such district at least ten days  
340 before the day of such meetings, signed by the president or any three  
341 directors, which notice shall designate the time and place of such  
342 meetings and the business to be transacted [thereat] at such meetings.  
343 Two hundred or more persons or ten per cent of the total number of  
344 persons qualified to vote in the meeting of a district, whichever is less,  
345 may petition the clerk of such district, in writing, at least twenty-four  
346 hours prior to any such meeting, requesting that any item or items on  
347 the call of such meeting be submitted to the persons qualified to vote in  
348 such meeting not less than seven nor more than fourteen days thereafter,  
349 on a day to be set by the district meeting or, if the district meeting does  
350 not set a date, by the board of directors, for a vote by paper ballots or by  
351 a "yes" or "no" vote on the voting [machines] tabulators, during the  
352 hours between twelve o'clock noon and eight o'clock p.m., except that  
353 any district may, by vote of its board of directors, provide for an earlier  
354 hour for opening the polls but not earlier than six o'clock a.m. The paper  
355 ballots or voting [machine ballot labels] tabulator ballots, as the case  
356 may be, shall be provided by the clerk. When such a petition has been  
357 filed with the clerk, the president, after completion of other business and  
358 after reasonable discussion shall adjourn such meeting and order such  
359 vote on such item or items in accordance with the petition; and any item  
360 so voted may be rescinded in the same manner. The clerk shall phrase  
361 such item or items in a form suitable for printing on such paper ballots  
362 or [ballot labels] tabulator ballots. Not fewer than fifteen voters of the  
363 district shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any  
364 meeting of the district; and if fifteen voters are not present at such  
365 meeting, the president of the district or, in [his] the president's absence,  
366 the vice president may adjourn such meeting from time to time, until at  
367 least fifteen voters are present; and all meetings of the district where a  
368 quorum is present may be adjourned from time to time by a vote of a

369 majority of the voters voting on the question of adjournment. At any  
370 annual or special meeting, the voters may, by a majority vote of those  
371 present, discontinue any purposes for which the district is established  
372 or undertake any additional purpose or purposes enumerated in section  
373 7-326.

374 (b) The president of the district shall be the chief executive officer  
375 thereof and shall be a member of the board of directors. [He] The  
376 president shall preside at all meetings of the voters of the district and at  
377 all meetings of the directors, and at all meetings where [he] the president  
378 presides, [he] the president shall vote to dissolve a tie when necessary.  
379 [He] The president shall designate the duties devolving upon each of  
380 the five directors, shall approve all bills for payment by the treasurer  
381 and shall be, ex officio, a member of all committees and boards of the  
382 district. The vice president shall be a member of the board of directors,  
383 and shall have all the authority, power and duties of the president  
384 whenever the president vacates his or her office, is absent or from any  
385 cause is unable to perform his or her duties. The clerk shall be a member  
386 of the board of directors, shall keep a record of the minutes of all  
387 meetings of the voters and of the board of directors and shall keep at all  
388 times a list of the voters of the district. The treasurer shall have charge  
389 of the collection and payment of all moneys of the district, under such  
390 rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the board of directors,  
391 and shall prepare the annual budget, which shall be reviewed by the  
392 board of directors and transmitted with the board's comments and  
393 recommendations to the annual budget meeting of the district for  
394 adoption.

395 (c) The fiscal year of the district shall begin on July first and shall end  
396 the following June thirtieth. Annually, not less than thirty days prior to  
397 the beginning of the fiscal year, there shall be a meeting of the voters of  
398 the district for the purpose of adopting the annual budget, laying the tax  
399 and fixing the tax rate.

400 (d) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter or any special act,

401 [to the contrary,] a district may, at its annual meeting or at a special  
402 meeting called in accordance with the provisions of this section, (1)  
403 increase the membership of the board of directors of the district to nine  
404 members, three of whom may be elected each year to three-year terms,  
405 and in such case, require the officers of the district to be chosen from  
406 among the members of the board, or (2) provide for one member of the  
407 board of directors of the district to serve as both clerk and treasurer of  
408 the district.

409 Sec. 4. (Effective from passage) Not later than July 1, 2027, the State  
410 Elections Enforcement Commission shall coordinate with each fire  
411 district in the state to promote implementation of and compliance with  
412 the provisions of section 7-327 of the general statutes, as amended by  
413 this act, applicable to fire districts and of section 1 of this act.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2027</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2027</i>	9-7b(a)
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2027</i>	7-327
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	New section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To (1) require certain voting procedures for the transaction of business at meetings of fire districts, and (2) authorize State Elections Enforcement Commission jurisdiction over fire districts in matters relating to the conduct of such meetings, including such voting procedures.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*