



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5529

February Session, 2026



AN ACT CONCERNING POLL BOOKS FOR THE CHECKING OF ELECTORS AT ELECTIONS, PRIMARIES AND REFERENDA.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2027*) (a) As used in this section,
2 "election", "referendum", "municipality" and "elector" have the same
3 meanings as provided in section 9-1 of the general statutes; "primary"
4 has the same meaning as provided in section 9-372 of the general
5 statutes; and "political committee" and "candidate committee" have the
6 same meanings as provided in section 9-601 of the general statutes.

7 (b) Not later than fourteen days prior to any election, primary or
8 referendum held in a municipality, the registrars of voters of such
9 municipality shall provide notice to each (1) town committee within
10 such municipality, (2) political committee formed solely to aid or
11 promote the success or defeat of a referendum question that is to appear
12 on the ballot at such referendum, and (3) candidate committee of a
13 candidate whose name is to appear on the ballot at such election or
14 primary, of whether the poll books containing the official checklist to be
15 used at such election, primary or referendum for the checking of any
16 elector appearing at the polling place or location designated for the
17 conduct of early voting will include an electronic version.

18 (c) Each registrar of voters who fails to provide notice in accordance

19 with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section shall be fined not
20 less than fifty dollars.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>January 1, 2027</i>	New section

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In Subsec. (b)(2), "that is to appear on the ballot at such referendum" was added for clarity; and in Subsec. (b)(3), "such election, primary or referendum" was changed to "such election or primary" for accuracy.

GAE *Joint Favorable Subst.*