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"AN ACT CONCERNING ABSENTEE VOTING FOR ALL AND VARIOUS OTHER REFORMS TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF ELECTIONS."

1 Strike section 28 in its entirety and substitute the following in lieu
2 thereof:

3 "Sec. 28. Subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section 9-163aa of the 2026
4 supplement to the general statutes, as amended by section 69 of public
5 act 26-1, are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
6 (*Effective July 1, 2026*):

7 (a) (1) (A) Any eligible elector may vote prior to the day of a regular
8 election, in accordance with the provisions of this section, during a
9 period of early voting at each regular election held on or after April 1,
10 2024.

11 (B) The period of early voting under subparagraph (A) of this
12 subdivision shall (i) notwithstanding the provisions of section 9-2,

13 commence on the fifteenth day prior to and conclude on the second day
14 prior to such regular election, and (ii) consist of such days between and
15 inclusive of such commencement and conclusion, except any legal
16 holiday designated, appointed or recommended under section 1-4, and
17 at such times as provided in subdivision (1) of subsection [(c)] (b) of
18 section 9-174.

19 (2) (A) Subject to the provisions of subdivision (4) of this subsection,
20 any eligible elector may vote prior to the day of a primary, other than a
21 presidential preference primary, in accordance with the provisions of
22 this section, during a period of early voting at each primary, other than
23 a presidential preference primary, held on or after April 1, 2024.

24 (B) The period of early voting under subparagraph (A) of this
25 subdivision shall (i) notwithstanding the provisions of section 9-2,
26 commence on the eighth day prior to and conclude on the second day
27 prior to such primary, other than a presidential preference primary, and
28 (ii) consist of such days between and inclusive of such commencement
29 and conclusion, except any legal holiday designated, appointed or
30 recommended under section 1-4, and at such times as provided in
31 subdivision (1) of subsection [(c)] (b) of section 9-174.

32 (3) (A) Any eligible elector may vote prior to the day of a special
33 election, in accordance with the provisions of this section, during a
34 period of early voting at each special election held on or after April 1,
35 2024.

36 (B) Subject to the provisions of subdivision (4) of this subsection, any
37 eligible elector may vote prior to the day of a presidential preference
38 primary, in accordance with the provisions of this section, during a
39 period of early voting at each presidential preference primary held on
40 or after April 1, 2024.

41 (C) The period of early voting under subparagraph (A) or (B) of this
42 subdivision shall (i) notwithstanding the provisions of section 9-2,
43 commence on the fifth day prior to and conclude on the second day

44 prior to such special election or such presidential preference primary,
45 except that such commencing and concluding days shall be adjusted to
46 exclude from such period April 20, 2025, and any legal holiday
47 designated, appointed or recommended under section 1-4, and (ii)
48 consist of four total days between and inclusive of such commencement
49 and conclusion, as may be adjusted pursuant to subparagraph (C)(i) of
50 this subdivision, and at such times as provided in subdivision (2) of
51 subsection [(c)] (b) of section 9-174.

52 (4) (A) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 9-19e, 9-23a, 9-26,
53 9-31a, 9-55, 9-56, as amended by [this act] public act 26-1, and 9-57:

54 (i) In the case of an unaffiliated elector who wishes to vote during the
55 period of early voting at a primary, such elector shall be eligible to so
56 vote if such elector's application for enrollment with the political party
57 holding such primary is filed with the registrars of voters by twelve
58 o'clock noon on the business day immediately preceding the day on
59 which such period of early voting commences.

60 (ii) In the case of a person who is not admitted as an elector and who
61 wishes to vote during the period of early voting at a primary, such
62 person shall be eligible to so vote if such person's application for
63 admission as an elector and enrollment with the political party holding
64 such primary is filed with the registrars of voters by twelve o'clock noon
65 on the business day immediately preceding the day during such period
66 of early voting on which such person offers to vote at such primary.

67 (B) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent an individual
68 who enrolls in a political party during a period of early voting at a
69 primary from voting by absentee ballot [, if eligible,] or in person on the
70 day of such primary.

71 (b) (1) (A) The registrars of voters of each municipality shall designate
72 a location for the conduct of early voting but, if the registrars fail to agree
73 as to such location, the legislative body or, in a municipality where the
74 legislative body is a town meeting, the board of selectmen, shall

75 designate such location. Such location shall be the same for the duration
76 of the period of early voting except as otherwise specified in this
77 subdivision, provided (i) the registrars of voters have access to the state-
78 wide centralized voter registration system from such location, and (ii)
79 such location is certified in writing to the Secretary of the State. The
80 written certification under subparagraph (A)(ii) of this subdivision shall
81 be submitted annually by the registrars of voters to the Secretary not
82 later than February fifteenth, except that for an election or a primary
83 held in 2026, such written certification shall be so submitted not later
84 than sixty days prior to the day of such election or primary. Any change
85 to such written certification shall be made and submitted, and approved
86 or disapproved, in accordance with the provisions of subparagraph (B)
87 of this subdivision. Such written certification shall provide (I) the name,
88 street address and relevant contact information associated with such
89 location, (II) the number of election or primary officials to be appointed
90 by the registrars of voters to serve at such location and the roles of such
91 officials, and (III) a description of the design of such location and a plan
92 for effective conduct of such early voting, and shall include the
93 information required for same-day election registration under
94 subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 9-19j, as amended by [this act]
95 public act 26-1. The Secretary shall approve or disapprove such written
96 certification annually not later than March first, except that for an
97 election or a primary held in 2026, the Secretary shall so approve or
98 disapprove not later than forty-five days prior to the day of such election
99 or primary. If the Secretary disapproves such certification, the Secretary
100 shall provide, in writing, the reasons for such disapproval and shall
101 issue an order for such corrective action as the Secretary deems
102 necessary, including, but not limited to, the appointment of additional
103 election or primary officials or the alteration of such design or plan.
104 After having received approval of such certification or having complied
105 with any order for corrective action to the Secretary's satisfaction, as
106 applicable, the registrars of voters shall determine the site of such
107 location designated for the conduct of early voting at least thirty-one
108 days prior to an election or a primary. Such location shall not be changed
109 within such period, except, if the municipal clerk and registrars of voters

110 unanimously find that such location has been rendered unusable within
111 such period, such clerk and registrars shall forthwith designate another
112 location for the conduct of early voting to be used in place of the location
113 so rendered unusable and shall give adequate notice that such location
114 has been so changed. The provisions of sections 9-168d and 9-168e shall
115 apply to such location designated for the conduct of early voting.

116 (B) If, after the registrars of voters annually submit the written
117 certification under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, the registrars
118 make any change to any part of such written certification, such registrars
119 shall submit to the Secretary of the State an updated written
120 certification, in a form and manner prescribed by the Secretary, as soon
121 as practicable but in no case later than seven days after such change. The
122 registrars shall clearly indicate on such updated written certification the
123 information that has changed since the prior submission. The Secretary
124 shall approve or disapprove such updated written certification as soon
125 as practicable but in no case later than seven days after submission
126 thereof. If the Secretary disapproves such updated certification, the
127 Secretary shall provide, in writing, the reasons for such disapproval and
128 shall issue an order for such corrective action as the Secretary deems
129 necessary, in accordance with subparagraph (A) of this subdivision.

130 (2) In any municipality with a population of at least twenty thousand,
131 the legislative body may hold a public hearing on whether to designate
132 any additional location in such municipality for the conduct of early
133 voting, which public hearing, if any, shall be held not later than fifteen
134 days prior to the time for designating any such location set forth in
135 subdivision (1) of this subsection. Any legislative body holding such a
136 public hearing shall properly notice such public hearing not later than
137 ten days prior to such public hearing in a newspaper having general
138 circulation in such municipality and on the Internet web site of the
139 municipality. For any such municipality in which such a public hearing
140 was not held, the legislative body thereof shall determine whether to
141 designate any such additional location and shall notify the Secretary of
142 the State with a detailed explanation for such determination. For any

143 municipality in which such a public hearing was held, not later than
144 three days after the conclusion of such public hearing, the legislative
145 body thereof shall determine whether to designate any such additional
146 location and shall notify the Secretary with a detailed explanation for
147 such determination. If the legislative body determines that any such
148 additional location be designated, the legislative body or, in a
149 municipality where the legislative body is a town meeting, the board of
150 selectmen, shall so designate such additional location and the
151 provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall apply to such
152 additional location. The Secretary shall take no action on any detailed
153 explanation submitted under this subdivision with regard to the
154 number of additional locations designated in such a municipality, and
155 shall preserve each such detailed explanation as a public record open to
156 public inspection. For the purposes of this subdivision, "population"
157 means the estimated number of people according to the most recent
158 version of the State Register and Manual prepared pursuant to section
159 3-90.

160 (3) In any municipality containing any campus of a constituent unit,
161 as defined in section 10a-1, with at least one thousand students living in
162 housing that is on such campus or is owned or operated by, or affiliated
163 with, such constituent unit, the registrars of voters of such municipality
164 shall designate an additional location on such campus for the conduct
165 of early voting and the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection
166 shall apply to such additional location.

167 [(4) At each location designated for the conduct of early voting, the
168 registrars of voters shall provide to prospective electors during the early
169 voting period the opportunity to apply for same-day election
170 registration, in accordance with the procedures set forth in section 9-19j,
171 as amended by this act, for such application and for the completion and
172 processing of any such application.]

173 [(5)] (4) (A) The registrars of voters shall appoint, for each day on
174 which early voting is conducted, a moderator and such other election or
175 primary officials to serve at each location designated for such conduct.

176 The moderator so appointed shall perform any duty required, and may
177 exercise any power authorized, under this title related to the conduct of
178 early voting at such location. On any such day and solely for purposes
179 related to the conduct of early voting, the registrars of voters of a
180 municipality may, upon agreement, appoint one of the registrars from
181 such municipality as moderator in accordance with the provisions of
182 subparagraph (B) of this subdivision. The registrars of voters may
183 delegate to each other election or primary official so appointed any of
184 the responsibilities assigned to the registrars of voters. The registrars of
185 voters shall supervise each such official and train each such official to be
186 an early voting election or primary official.

187 (B) Whenever the registrars of voters of a municipality appoint,
188 pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, one of the registrars
189 of such municipality as moderator to serve at a location designated for
190 the conduct of early voting, such registrars of voters shall jointly submit
191 to the Secretary of the State (i) a certification that the registrars of voters
192 of such municipality are in agreement as to such appointment, and (ii)
193 a written plan detailing alternative coverage of the duties normally
194 carried out by the registrar so appointed to ensure that such registrar
195 abstains, on each day in which such registrar serves as moderator, from
196 any such duties that conflict with those of the moderator.

197 (C) Not later than the fourteenth day preceding the commencement
198 of the period of early voting, the registrars of voters shall provide to the
199 Secretary of the State a written report setting forth the name, address
200 and, if available, cellular mobile telephone number of the moderator
201 appointed to serve at each location designated for the conduct of early
202 voting pursuant to this subdivision. Such written report shall be
203 included as part of the written report provided by the registrars to the
204 Secretary under section 9-228a, as amended by [this act] public act 26-1.

205 (c) Any elector who wishes to vote during a period of early voting at
206 an election or primary, and is eligible to so vote at such election or
207 primary, shall (1) appear in person at such times as provided in
208 subsection [(c)] (b) of section 9-174, at the location designated by the

209 registrars of voters for early voting, and (2) identify such elector as
210 required by subsection (a) of section 9-261.

211 Strike subsection (a) of section 46 in its entirety and substitute the
212 following in lieu thereof:

213 "(a) [(1)] Not earlier than the fifteenth day after any federal or state
214 [election or] primary or any municipal election or primary and not later
215 than two business days before the canvass of votes by the Secretary of
216 the State, Treasurer and Comptroller, [and (2) not earlier than the fifth
217 day after any municipal election or primary and not later than two
218 business days before the canvass of votes] or by the town clerk, as
219 applicable, the registrars of voters shall conduct a manual audit, or an
220 electronic audit authorized under section 9-320g, as amended by this
221 act, of the votes recorded in not less than five per cent of the voting
222 districts in the state, district or municipality, whichever is applicable.
223 For the purposes of this section, any central location used in a
224 municipality for the counting of absentee ballots [.] or early voting
225 ballots [or same-day election registration ballots] shall be deemed a
226 voting district. Such manual or electronic audit shall be noticed in
227 advance and be open to public observation. Any election official who
228 participates in the administration and conduct of an audit pursuant to
229 this section shall be compensated by the municipality at the standard
230 rate of pay established by such municipality for elections or primaries,
231 as the case may be."

232 Strike subsection (b) of section 58 in its entirety and substitute the
233 following in lieu thereof:

234 "(b) Any person who influences or attempts to influence by force or
235 threat the vote, or by force, threat, bribery or corrupt means [.] the
236 speech, of any other person at a primary, caucus, referendum,
237 convention or election; any person who influences or attempts to
238 influence by force, threat or harassment any election worker in the
239 performance of any duty under the provisions of this title related to
240 election administration at a primary, referendum, election or recanvass;

241 any person who wilfully and fraudulently suppresses or destroys any
242 vote or ballot properly given or cast, whether so given or cast by mail,
243 by deposit in a secure drop box or in person at a polling place or
244 designated early voting [or same-day election registration] location, or
245 who, in counting such votes or ballots, wilfully miscounts or
246 misrepresents the number thereof; and any presiding or other officer of
247 a primary, caucus or convention who wilfully announces the result of a
248 ballot or vote of such primary, caucus or convention, untruly and
249 wrongfully, shall be guilty of a class C felony."

250 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
251 internal references accordingly:

252 "Sec. 501. Section 9-163bb of the general statutes is repealed and the
253 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2026*):

254 (a) Early voting ballots received by the municipal clerk prior to the
255 day of an election or primary [, and same-day election registration
256 ballots received by the municipal clerk prior to the day of a regular
257 election,] shall be delivered by the municipal clerk to the registrars
258 between six o'clock a.m. and ten o'clock a.m. on the day of the election
259 or primary.

260 (b) The ballot counters for such early voting ballots [and same-day
261 election registration ballots] shall proceed to the central counting
262 location or to the respective polling places when counting is to take
263 place pursuant to subsection (b) of section 9-147a at the time, between
264 six o'clock a.m. and ten o'clock a.m. on the day of the election or primary,
265 designated by the registrars of voters. At the time such ballots are
266 delivered to the ballot counters pursuant to subsection (a) of this section,
267 the ballot counters shall perform any checking of such ballots and
268 proceed, as nearly as possible, as provided in section 9-150a.

269 Sec. 502. Section 9-174 of the general statutes is repealed and the
270 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2026*):

271 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any

272 special act or municipal charter, at any regular election, or at any special
273 election held to fill a vacancy in a state, district or municipal office, the
274 polls on the day of such election shall remain open for voting from six
275 o'clock a.m. until eight o'clock p.m. No elector shall be permitted to cast
276 such elector's vote after the hour prescribed for the closing of the polls
277 in any election unless such elector is in line at eight o'clock p.m. An
278 election official or a police officer of the municipality, who is designated
279 by the moderator, shall be placed at the end of the line at eight o'clock
280 p.m. Such official or officer shall not allow any electors who were not in
281 such line at eight o'clock p.m. to enter such line.

282 [(b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any
283 special act or municipal charter, at any regular election, each location
284 designated for same-day election registration pursuant to subsection (c)
285 of section 9-19j shall, on election day, as defined in said section, remain
286 open for registration and voting from six o'clock a.m. until eight o'clock
287 p.m. No applicant for same-day election registration shall be admitted
288 as an elector or permitted to cast such applicant's vote after the hour
289 prescribed for the closing of the location designated for such purposes
290 on election day unless such applicant is in line at eight o'clock p.m. An
291 election official or a police officer of the municipality, who is appointed
292 by the registrars of voters, shall be placed at the end of the line at eight
293 o'clock p.m. Such official or officer shall not allow any applicants who
294 were not in such line at eight o'clock p.m. to enter such line.]

295 [(c)] (b) (1) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or
296 any special act or municipal charter, at any regular election and any
297 primary, other than a presidential preference primary, held on or after
298 April 1, 2024, each location designated for the conduct of early voting
299 pursuant to subsection (b) of section 9-163aa [or for same-day election
300 registration pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-19j] shall, during the
301 early voting period, remain open from ten o'clock a.m. to six o'clock
302 p.m., except that such location shall remain open from eight o'clock a.m.
303 to eight o'clock p.m. on the last Tuesday and Thursday prior to the
304 election or primary.

305 (2) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any
306 special act or municipal charter, at any special election and any
307 presidential preference primary held on or after April 1, 2024, each
308 location designated for the conduct of early voting pursuant to
309 subsection (b) of section 9-163aa shall, during the early voting period,
310 remain open from ten o'clock a.m. to six o'clock p.m.

311 (3) No voter shall be permitted to cast such voter's vote after the hour
312 prescribed for the closing of the location designated for early voting at
313 any election or primary under subdivision (1) or subdivision (2) of this
314 subsection unless such voter is in line at such prescribed hour. An
315 election or primary official or a police officer of the municipality, who is
316 appointed by the registrars of voters, shall be placed at the end of the
317 line at such prescribed hour. Such official or officer shall not allow any
318 voters who were not in such line at such prescribed hour to enter such
319 line.

320 Sec. 503. Subsection (a) of section 9-225 of the general statutes is
321 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
322 *2026*):

323 (a) The town clerk or assistant town clerk of each town shall warn the
324 electors therein to meet on the Tuesday following the first Monday in
325 November in the even-numbered years, at six o'clock a.m., which
326 warning shall be given by publication (1) in a newspaper having a
327 general circulation in such town, or towns in the case of a joint
328 publication under subsection (b) of this section, not more than fifteen
329 nor less than five days previous to the commencement of the period of
330 early voting at such election, and (2) on such town's Internet web site,
331 not more than fifteen nor less than five days previous to the
332 commencement of the period of early voting at such election. The clerk
333 in each town shall, in the warning for such election, give notice of (A)
334 the time and the location of each polling place in the town, (B) in towns
335 divided into voting districts, the time and the location of each polling
336 place in each district, [(C) the time and the site of each location
337 designated for same-day election registration in the town, and (D)] and

338 (C) the time and the site of each location designated for the conduct of
339 early voting, at which such election will be held. The town clerk shall
340 record each such warning.

341 Sec. 504. Section 9-226 of the general statutes is repealed and the
342 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2026*):

343 The warning of each municipal election shall specify the objects for
344 which such election is to be held. Notice of a town election shall be given
345 by the town clerk or assistant town clerk, by publishing a warning (1) in
346 a newspaper published in such town or having a general circulation
347 therein, such publication to be not more than fifteen nor less than five
348 days previous to the commencement of the period of early voting at the
349 election, and (2) on such town's Internet web site, such publication to be
350 not more than fifteen nor less than five days previous to the
351 commencement of the period of early voting at the election. The town
352 clerk in each town shall, in the warning for such election, give notice of
353 (A) the time and the location of each polling place in the town, (B) in
354 towns divided into voting districts, the time and the location of each
355 polling place in each district, [(C) the time and the site of each location
356 designated for same-day election registration, and (D)] and (C) the time
357 and the site of each location designated for the conduct of early voting,
358 in the town. The town clerk shall record each such warning. Notice of
359 an election of a city or borough shall be given by publishing a warning
360 (i) in a newspaper published within the limits of such city or borough
361 or having a general circulation therein, not more than fifteen nor less
362 than five days previous to the commencement of the period of early
363 voting at the election, and (ii) on the Internet web site of such city or
364 borough, or the town having such city or borough within such town's
365 limits, not more than fifteen nor less than five days previous to the
366 commencement of the period of early voting at the election, which
367 warning shall include notice of (I) the time and the location of each
368 polling place in such city or borough, (II) in cities and boroughs divided
369 into voting districts, the time and the location of each polling place in
370 each district, [(III) the time and the site of each location designated for

371 same-day election registration in such city or borough, and (IV)] and
372 (III) the time and the site of each location designated for the conduct of
373 early voting in such city or borough.

374 Sec. 505. Section 9-264 of the 2026 supplement to the general statutes
375 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
376 *1, 2026*):

377 An elector who requires assistance to vote, by reason of blindness,
378 disability or inability to write or to read the ballot, may be given
379 assistance by a person of the elector's choice, other than (1) the elector's
380 employer, (2) an agent of such employer, (3) an officer or agent of the
381 elector's union, or (4) a candidate for any office on the ballot, unless the
382 elector is a member of the immediate family of such candidate. The
383 person assisting the elector may accompany the elector into the voting
384 booth at the polling place [, the location designated for same-day
385 election registration] or the location designated for the conduct of early
386 voting, as applicable. Such person shall register such elector's vote upon
387 the ballot as such elector directs. Any person accompanying an elector
388 into the voting booth at the polling place [or the location designated for
389 election day registration] who deceives any elector in registering the
390 elector's vote under this section or seeks to influence any elector while
391 in the act of voting, or who registers any vote for any elector or on any
392 question other than as requested by such elector, or who gives
393 information to any person as to what person or persons such elector
394 voted for, or how such elector voted on any question, shall be guilty of
395 a class D felony. As used in this section, "immediate family" has the
396 same meaning as provided in section 9-140b.

397 Sec. 506. Section 9-364 of the general statutes is repealed and the
398 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2026*):

399 Any person who, with intent to disenfranchise any elector, influences
400 or attempts to influence by force or threat, bribery or corrupt, fraudulent
401 or deliberately deceitful means any elector to stay away from any
402 election or otherwise refrain from voting, whether such voting is by

403 mail, by deposit in a secure drop box or in person at a polling place or
404 designated early voting [or same-day election registration] location,
405 shall be guilty of a class D felony.

406 Sec. 507. Subsections (f) and (g) of section 9-19k of the general statutes
407 are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
408 *1, 2026*):

409 (f) If an applicant registers to vote pursuant to the provisions of this
410 section after the eighteenth day before an election or after the eighteenth
411 day before a primary, the privileges of an elector shall not attach until
412 the day after such election or primary, as the case may be. In such event,
413 the registrars of voters may contact such applicant, either by telephone
414 or mail, in order to inform such applicant of the effect of such late
415 received application and any applicable deadline for applying for
416 admission in person. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to
417 prevent an individual from, [(1) applying to be admitted as an elector
418 pursuant to section 9-19j during a period of early voting at an election,
419 or (2)] subject to the provisions of subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of
420 section 9-163aa, applying to be enrolled in a political party during a
421 period of early voting at a primary.

422 [(g) Nothing in this section shall prevent the registrars of voters or
423 any election official appointed by such registrars of voters to admit any
424 applicant as an elector from utilizing the online voter registration
425 system established pursuant to this section for the purpose of admitting
426 such applicant on election day pursuant to section 9-19j.]

427 Sec. 508. Subsection (d) of section 9-23g of the general statutes is
428 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
429 *2026*):

430 (d) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the privileges
431 of an elector for any applicant for admission under this section and
432 section 9-23h shall attach immediately upon approval by the registrar,
433 and the registrars shall enter the name of the elector on the registry list.

434 (2) Except as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection, if a mailed
435 application is postmarked, or if a delivered application is received in the
436 office of the registrars of voters, after the eighteenth day before an
437 election or after the eighteenth day before a primary, the privileges of
438 an elector shall not attach until the day after such election or primary,
439 as the case may be. In such event, the registrars of voters may contact
440 such applicant, either by telephone or mail, in order to inform such
441 applicant of the effect of such late received mail-in application and any
442 applicable deadline for applying for admission in person. Nothing in
443 this subdivision shall be construed to prevent an individual from, [(A)
444 applying to be admitted as an elector pursuant to section 9-19j during a
445 period of early voting at an election, or (B)] subject to the provisions of
446 subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 9-163aa, applying to be
447 enrolled in a political party during a period of early voting at a primary.

448 (3) If an application is received after the eighteenth day before an
449 election or after the eighteenth day before a primary by the
450 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles or by a voter registration agency, the
451 privileges of an elector shall not attach until the day after the election or
452 primary, as the case may be, or on the day the registrar approves it,
453 whichever is later. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to
454 prevent an individual from, [(A) applying to be admitted as an elector
455 pursuant to section 9-19j during a period of early voting at an election,
456 or (B)] subject to the provisions of subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of
457 section 9-163aa, applying to be enrolled in a political party during a
458 period of early voting at a primary.

459 (4) If on the day of an election or primary, the name of an applicant
460 does not appear on the official check list, such applicant may present to
461 the moderator at the polls either a notice of acceptance received through
462 the mail or an application receipt that was previously provided to the
463 applicant pursuant to section 9-19e, subsection (b) of section 9-19h,
464 subsection (b) of this section or section 9-23n. If an applicant presents
465 said notice or receipt, and either the registrars of voters find the original
466 application or the applicant submits a new application at the polls, the

467 registrar, or assistant registrar upon notice to and approval by the
468 registrar, shall add such person's name and address to the official check
469 list on such day and the person shall be allowed to vote if otherwise
470 eligible to vote and the person presents to the checkers at the polling
471 place a preprinted form of identification pursuant to subparagraph (A)
472 of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 9-261.

473 Sec. 509. Section 9-19j of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective July*
474 *1, 2026*)"

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 28	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	9-163aa(a) to (c)
Sec. 501	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	9-163bb
Sec. 502	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	9-174
Sec. 503	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	9-225(a)
Sec. 504	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	9-226
Sec. 505	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	9-264
Sec. 506	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	9-364
Sec. 507	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	9-19k(f) and (g)
Sec. 508	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	9-23g(d)
Sec. 509	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	Repealer section