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To: House Bill No. 5308

File No. 407

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"AN ACT CONCERNING ABSENTEE VOTING FOR CERTAIN PATIENTS OF NURSING HOMES."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (c) of section 9-140b of the 2024 supplement to
4 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
5 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

6 (c) [(1)] For purposes of this section, "mailed" means [(A)] sent by the
7 United States Postal Service or any commercial carrier, courier or
8 messenger service recognized and approved by the Secretary of the
9 State, [, or (B) deposited in a secure drop box designated by the
10 municipal clerk for such purpose, in accordance with instructions
11 prescribed by the Secretary.]

12 [(2) In the case of absentee ballots mailed under subparagraph (B) of

13 subdivision (1) of this subsection, beginning on the first day of issuance
14 of absentee voting sets, as provided in subsection (f) of section 9-140,
15 and on each weekday thereafter until the close of the polls at the
16 election, primary or referendum, the municipal clerk shall retrieve from
17 the secure drop box described in said subparagraph each such ballot
18 deposited in such drop box.]

19 Sec. 502. Subsection (g) of section 9-368k of the 2024 supplement to
20 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
21 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

22 (g) Upon the certification of election results and the completion of the
23 elector history file after each election, the officials responsible for
24 administering elections in each municipality shall transmit to the
25 Secretary of the State, in electronic format, copies of (1) such election
26 results at the voting district level, (2) updated registry lists, (3) elector
27 history files, (4) maps, descriptions of boundaries and other similar
28 items, and (5) lists of polling place [and absentee ballot drop box]
29 locations and lists or descriptions of the voting districts or geographic
30 areas served by such locations.

31 Sec. 503. Subsection (b) of section 9-368m of the 2024 supplement to
32 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
33 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

34 (b) A covered policy shall include any new or modified qualification
35 for admission as an elector, prerequisite to voting or ordinance,
36 regulation, standard, practice, procedure or policy concerning:

37 (1) Method of election;

38 (2) Form of government;

39 (3) Annexation, incorporation, dissolution, consolidation or division
40 of a municipality;

41 (4) Removal of individuals from registry lists or enrollment lists and
42 other activities concerning any such list;

43 (5) Hours of any polling place, or location or number of polling
44 places; [or absentee ballot drop boxes;]

45 (6) Assignment of voting districts to polling place [or absentee ballot
46 drop box] locations;

47 (7) Assistance offered to protected class members; or

48 (8) Districting or redistricting, provided the enactment or
49 implementation of a covered policy under this subdivision shall be
50 subject to preclearance only in a covered jurisdiction described in
51 subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of this section.

52 Sec. 504. Subsection (b) of section 9-368n of the 2024 supplement to
53 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
54 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

55 (b) A violation of subsection (a) of this section includes, but is not
56 limited to, the following:

57 (1) Any person who uses or threatens to use any force, violence,
58 restraint, abduction or duress, who inflicts or threatens to inflict any
59 injury, damage, harm or loss or who by any other conduct practices
60 intimidation that causes or will reasonably have the effect of causing
61 interference with any elector's right to vote;

62 (2) Any person who knowingly uses any deceptive or fraudulent
63 device, contrivance or communication that causes or will reasonably
64 have the effect of causing interference with any elector's right to vote; or

65 (3) Any person who obstructs, impedes or otherwise interferes with
66 access to any polling place [or absentee ballot drop box] or any office or
67 place of business of an election official or who obstructs, impedes or
68 otherwise interferes with any elector or election official in a manner that
69 causes or will reasonably have the effect of causing interference with
70 any elector's right to vote or any delay in voting or the voting process."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	9-140b(c)
Sec. 502	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	9-368k(g)
Sec. 503	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	9-368m(b)
Sec. 504	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	9-368n(b)