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I N   S E N A T E

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Introduced by Sens. KRUEGER, ADDABBO -- read twice and ordered printed,
  and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Elections --
  recommitted to the Committee on Elections in accordance with Senate
  Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered
  reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee -- reported
  favorably from said committee, ordered to first and second report,
  ordered to a third reading, amended and ordered reprinted, retaining
  its place in the order of third reading

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to making applications for
  absentee ballots

  THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEM-
BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

 1   Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subdivision 2 of section 8-400 of the
 2 election law, as amended by chapter 165 of the laws of 2009, is amended
 3 to read as follows:
 4   (d) The board of elections shall mail an absentee ballot to every
 5 qualified voter otherwise eligible for such a ballot, who requests such
 6 an absentee ballot from such board of elections in WRITING IN a letter,
 7 TELEFAX INDICATING THE ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER AND THE TELEFAX NUMBER FROM
 8 WHICH THE WRITING IS SENT OR OTHER WRITTEN INSTRUMENT, which is signed
 9 by the voter and received by the board of elections not earlier than the
10 thirtieth day nor later than the seventh day before the election for
11 which the ballot is first requested and which states the address where
12 the voter is registered and the address to which the ballot is to be
13 mailed; provided, however, a military voter may request a military
14 ballot in a letter as provided in subdivision three of section 10-106 of
15 this chapter; and provided further, a special federal voter may request
16 a special federal ballot in a letter as provided in paragraph d of
17 subdivision one of section 11-202 of this chapter. The board of
18 elections shall enclose with such ballot a form of application for
19 absentee ballot.

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1   S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-
2 ing the date on which it shall have become a law and shall apply to all
3 elections or primaries conducted on or after such date. Effective imme-
4 diately the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation
5 necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are
6 authorized and directed to be made and completed on or before such
7 effective date.