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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. WALKER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Election Law

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to enacting the young adult voter registration act

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "young  
2 adult voter registration act".

3 § 2. The election law is amended by adding a new section 5-231 to read  
4 as follows:

5 § 5-231. Young adult voter registration. 1. Registration of voters.  
6 Each public high school within the state shall make available during the  
7 school year to all students such materials as may be published by the  
8 board of elections relating to voter registration and, where appropri-  
9 ate, shall provide applications for registration and enrollment, and may  
10 assist in the execution of such applications.

11 2. Registration of young adults. Each school district shall distrib-  
12 ute a voter registration form to any student seventeen years old or  
13 older that will be eighteen years old at the time of the next general  
14 election.

15 3. Forms to be available at school. The state education department  
16 shall ensure that voter registration forms provided by the board of  
17 elections are available in the main or central office of each high  
18 school under the jurisdiction of the department for students who wish to  
19 obtain one. The department shall also ensure that each such high school  
20 provides adequate notice to its students of the availability of such  
21 forms in its main or central office.

22 4. Sufficient quantity of forms. The department shall request from the  
23 board of elections a sufficient quantity of voter registration forms to  
24 meet the requirements of this section.

25 § 3. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall  
26 have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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