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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. QUART -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. LAVINE --
read once and referred to the Committee on Election Law

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to the appointment of
election inspectors and poll clerks

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

1 Section 1. Subdivisions 1, 2 and 5 of section 3-404 of the election
2 law, subdivisions 1 and 5 as amended by chapter 263 of the laws of 1991,
3 are amended to read as follows:

4 1. The board of elections of each county shall on or before the
5 fifteenth day of [~~July~~] April of each year select and appoint election
6 inspectors and poll clerks for each election district therein, and such
7 number of election coordinators as it determines to be necessary, and
8 may thereafter select and designate election inspectors, poll clerks and
9 election coordinators to fill any vacancy for an unexpired term. The
10 term of such designation shall be for a term ending on the fourteenth
11 day of [~~July~~] April of the following year. If the election districts for
12 a general or special village election conducted by the board of
13 elections are coterminous with the election districts established for
14 general elections, such election inspectors and poll clerks shall also
15 serve at such village elections. If the election districts for such a
16 village election are not so coterminous, the board of elections shall
17 select the inspectors and poll clerks to serve in each such village
18 election district from among the inspectors and poll clerks appointed,
19 pursuant to the provisions of this section, for any election district
20 wholly or partly in such village.

21 2. Each political party entitled to representation on any board of
22 elections may, not later than the first day of [~~May~~] April in each year,
23 file with the appropriate board of elections, an original list of
24 persons recommended to serve. Supplemental lists may be filed at the

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

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1 same time and at any time before the designation is made and certified
2 or when a vacancy exists. All designations shall be made first from
3 those named in the original list filed if those designated are found
4 qualified. If a person has been listed on the original or supplemental
5 list for three consecutive years and has not served as an election
6 inspector, poll clerk or election coordinator during those three years,
7 then the political party submitting the list shall obtain and submit a
8 written affirmation from the person stating that they are willing and
9 available to serve as an election inspector, poll clerk or election
10 coordinator. If the political party does not submit such a written
11 affirmation along with the list, then such person shall be stricken from
12 the original and supplemental lists.

13 5. If a political party shall fail to submit a list or the list shall
14 be exhausted, the board of elections shall request from the appropriate
15 political party an original or supplemental list. If after ten days no
16 list is filed by that party, the board of elections [~~may~~] shall appoint
17 qualified persons, enrolled members of the political party in default,
18 to act as election inspectors, poll clerks or election coordinators.

19 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.