

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 24, 2025

Introduced by Sen. FERNANDEZ -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Elections

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to prohibiting early voting on federal holidays

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 8-600 of the election law, as
2 added by chapter 6 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as follows:
3 1. Beginning the tenth day prior to any general, primary, run-off
4 primary pursuant to subdivision one of section 6-162 of this chapter or
5 special election for any public or party position except for such an
6 election held pursuant to title two of article six or article fifteen of
7 this chapter, and ending on and including the second day prior to such
8 general, primary, run-off primary or special election for such public
9 office or party position, persons duly registered and eligible to vote
10 at such election shall be permitted to vote as provided in this title.
11 Where such early voting period includes a federal holiday, early voting
12 shall be prohibited on such federal holiday and the board of elections
13 shall add an additional day to the early voting period. The board of
14 elections shall establish procedures, subject to approval of the state
15 board of elections, to ensure that persons who vote during the early
16 voting period shall not be permitted to vote subsequently in the same
17 election.
18 § 2. This act shall take effect on the same date as the reversion of
19 subdivision 1 of section 8-600 of the election law as provided in
20 section 18 of chapter 474 of the laws of 2023, as amended.

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

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