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

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to affidavit ballots

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

Section 1. The election law is amended by adding a new section 8-318 to read as follows:

S 8-318. AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS. THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL ESTABLISH REASONABLE PROCEDURES TO ASSURE THE TIMELY PROCESSING AND COUNTING OF AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS, INCLUDING:

1. STANDARDS FOR TIMELY PROCESSING AND COUNTING TO ASSURE THAT, AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE AFFIDAVIT VOTE COUNT, PARTIES AND CANDIDATES MAY HAVE FULL, TIMELY, AND EFFECTIVE RECOURSE TO THE RECOUNT AND CONTEST PROCEDURES; AND

2. STANDARDS FOR THE INFORMED PARTICIPATION OF CANDIDATES AND PARTIES SUCH AS ARE CONSISTENT WITH REASONABLE PROCEDURES TO PROTECT THE SECURITY, CONFIDENTIALITY, AND INTEGRITY OF PERSONAL INFORMATION COLLECTED IN THE COURSE OF THE PROCESSING AND COUNTING OF AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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