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AN ACT providing for the state board of elections to undertake a study on the feasibility of permitting voting by mail, telephone and/or the internet and to establish pilot projects relating thereto

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

Section 1. The state board of elections shall undertake a study on the feasibility of permitting voting by mail, telephone and/or the internet. Such study shall include but not be limited to evaluation of the ability of verifying votes by mail, telephone and/or the internet and the impact on the number of the electorate voting in primary and general elections. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, at any primary or general election during the undertaking of such study, the state board of elections may provide a pilot program permitting voting by mail, telephone and/or the internet. The state board of elections shall submit such study including recommendations to the governor and state legislature within twenty-four months of the effective date of this act.

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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