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AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to absentee voting for primary care givers

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

Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subdivision 1 of section 8-400 of the election law is amended to read as follows:

(c) unable to appear personally at the polling place of the election district in which he OR SHE is a qualified voter because of illness or physical disability, whether permanent or temporary, OR DUTIES RELATED TO THE PRIMARY CARE OF ONE OR MORE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE ILL OR PHYSICALLY DISABLED, or because he OR SHE will be or is a patient in a hospital; or

S 2. Subparagraph (iii) of paragraph (c) of subdivision 3 of section 8-400 of the election law is amended to read as follows:

(iii) [ill or physically disabled; that he has been advised by his medical practitioner or christian science practitioner, giving said practitioner's name and address, that he will not be able to go to his polling place for such election, and whether said illness is permanent or temporary; if he expects to be a patient in a hospital he shall state the name and address of said hospital] UNABLE TO APPEAR AT A POLLING PLACE BECAUSE OF ILLNESS OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY OR DUTIES RELATED TO THE PRIMARY CARE OF ONE OR MORE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE ILL OR PHYSICALLY DISABLED; or

S 3. 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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