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

AN ACT to amend the real property law, in relation to providing tenants of residential real property with voter registration forms

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

Section 1. The real property law is amended by adding a new section 238-a to read as follows:

S 238-A. VOTER REGISTRATION FORMS. 1. EVERY TENANT WHO ENTERS INTO A LEASE TO RENT RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THIS STATE SHALL BE PROVIDED WITH ANY FORMS NECESSARY TO COMPLY WITH THE VOTER REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN ARTICLE FIVE OF THE ELECTION LAW. SUCH FORMS SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE LANDLORD OR THE LANDLORD'S REPRESENTATIVE AT THE TIME SUCH LEASE IS SIGNED AND DELIVERED BY THE LANDLORD OR THE LANDLORD'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE TENANT OR THE TENANT'S REPRESENTATIVE, WHETHER IN PERSON OR BY MAIL.

2. EACH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO PERSONS WHO RENT RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY IN THIS STATE ALL FORMS NECESSARY FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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