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IN SENATE

May 20, 2010

Introduced by Sen. STEWART-COUSINS -- 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 making technical corrections with regards to political subdivisions and election districts

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 4-128 of the election law, as amended by chapter 489 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:

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The board of elections of each county shall provide the requisite number of official and facsimile ballots, two cards of instruction to voters in the form prescribed by the state board of elections, at least one copy of the instruction booklet for inspectors, a sufficient number maps, street finders or other descriptions of all of the polling places and election districts within the [county] POLITICAL SUBDIVISION which the polling place is located to enable the election inspectors and poll clerks to determine the correct election district and polling place for each street address within the [county] POLITICAL SUBDIVISION in which the polling place is located, distance markers, tally sheets and return blanks, pens, black ink, or ball point pens with black ink, pencils having black lead, envelopes for the ballots of voters whose registration poll records are not in the ledger or whose names are not on the computer generated registration list, envelopes for identification buttons, badges or emblems for the inspectors and clerks in the form prescribed by the state board of elections and such other articles of stationery as may be necessary for the proper conduct of elections, except that when a town, city or village holds an election not conducted by the board of elections, the clerk of such town, city or shall provide such official and facsimile ballots and the necessary blanks, supplies and stationery for such election.

25 S 2. Subdivision d of section 4-132 of the election law, as added by 26 chapter 489 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:

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

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d. A sufficient number of maps, street finders or other descriptions of all of the polling places and election districts within the [county] POLITICAL SUBDIVISION in which the polling place is located to enable the election inspectors and poll clerks to determine the correct election district and polling place for each street address within the [county] POLITICAL SUBDIVISION in which the polling place is located.

S 3. The opening paragraph of paragraph (e) of subdivision 3 of section 8-302 of the election law, as amended by chapter 489 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:

10 Whenever a voter presents himself or herself and offers to cast a ballot, and he or she claims to live in the election district in which 11 he or she seeks to vote but no registration poll record can be found for 12 him or her in the poll ledger or his or her name does not appear on the 13 14 computer generated registration list or his or her signature does not 15 appear next to his or her name on such computer generated registration list or his or her registration poll record or the computer generated 16 17 registration list does not show him or her to be enrolled in the party in which he or she claims to be enrolled, a poll clerk or 18 election 19 inspector shall consult a map, street finder or other description of all 20 the polling places and election districts within the [county] POLI-21 TICAL SUBDIVISION in which said election district is located AND NECESSARY, CONTACT THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO OBTAIN THE RELEVANT INFOR-22 MATION and advise the voter of the correct polling place and election district [within the county] for the residence address provided by the 23 24 25 voter to such poll clerk or election inspector. Thereafter, such voter 26 shall be permitted to vote in said election district only as hereinafter 27 provided:

S 4. This act shall take effect immediately.