S T A T E O F N E W Y O R K

10390

I N A S S E M B L Y

March 23, 2010

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 write-in votes

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

Section 1. Paragraph 3 of subdivision 5 of section 7-106 of the election law, as amended by chapter 244 of the laws of 2003, is amended to read as follows:

(3) To vote for a person whose name is not printed on this ballot write or stamp [his or her] THE name [on a blank line under the names of the candidates for that office] IN THE SPACE LABELED "WRITE-IN" THAT APPEARS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE COLUMN OR ROW UNDER THE TITLE OF THE OFFICE.

S 2. Subparagraph 3 of paragraph (d) of subdivision 1 of section 7-122 of the election law, as amended by chapter 156 of the laws of 1994, is amended to read as follows:

3. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on this ballot write or stamp the name in the [blank] space LABELED "WRITE-IN" which appears at the bottom of the column OR ROW under the title of the office.

S 3. Subparagraphs 1 and 3 of paragraph (e) of subdivision 2 of section 7-122 of the election law, as added by chapter 352 of the laws of 1986, are amended to read as follows:

1. Mark only with the [pencil supplied] WRITING UTENSILS PROVIDED with this ballot.

3. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on this ballot, write the name in the [blank] space LABELED "WRITE-IN" (TO indicate where on ballot the write-in line appears) [containing] WHICH APPEARS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE COLUMN OR ROW UNDER the title of the office.

S 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

LBD15723-02-0