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Introduced by M. of A. GANTT -- read once and referred to the Committee on Election Law

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to prohibiting the use of punch-card ballots and punch-card ballot counting machines in New York state

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

Section 1. Section 7-121 of the election law, as added by chapter 352 of the laws of 1986, is amended to read as follows:

S 7-121. Ballots which are counted by machine. A board of elections may provide, by resolution adopted at least two months before an election at which voting machines are used, that all ballots cast for such election, other than on the voting machines, shall be counted by a machine of a type approved by the state board of elections and that all ballots printed for use at such election may be printed and arranged in a manner which would permit them to be counted by such machine, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO PUNCH-CARD BALLOTS OR PUNCH-CARD BALLOT COUNTING MACHINES SHALL BE PERMITTED BY ANY BOARD OF ELECTIONS.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeeding the date on which 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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