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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. McENENY, CANESTRARI -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to petitions for the office of board of education of the city school district of the city of Albany

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

Section 1. Paragraph e of subdivision 9 of section 2502 of the education law, as added by chapter 65 of the laws of 1972, is amended to read as follows:

e. Petitions for the nomination of members of such school board be on white paper containing the required signatures of qualified voters 6 the city of Albany [who were registered to vote therein at the last preceding general election]. The sheets of such a petition shall be 7 numbered consecutively, beginning with number one, at the foot of each 9 sheet. Such a petition must set forth in every instance the correct date of signing, the full name of the signer[,] AND his [present] OR HER 10 the residence from which he was registered at the time of 11 residence[, 12 the last preceding general election, the ward of such residence at 13 time, the election district thereof at such time. A signer need not himself fill in the date, residence or residences, ward or 14 district. The election district of the signer to be filled in the peti-15 16 tion shall be the election district in effect at the time of preceding general election. If the residence from which the signer was 17 18 registered at the time of the last preceding general election as his present residence, the word "same" may be written, instead 19 of repeating the place of residence]. A SIGNER NEED ONLY PLACE HIS 20 OR HER SIGNATURE UPON THE PETITION, AND NEED NOT HIMSELF OR HERSELF FILL IN 21 22 THE OTHER REQUIRED INFORMATION.

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

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- 1 S 2. Paragraph f of subdivision 9 of section 2502 of the education 2 law, as added by chapter 65 of the laws of 1972, is amended to read as 3 follows:
- 4 f. Each sheet of such a petition shall be signed in ink and shall be substantially in the following form:
- 6 I, the undersigned, do hereby state that I am a duly qualified voter 7 the city of Albany, [that I was registered to vote therein at the time of the last preceding general election,] that my [present] place of 8 residence [and my place of residence at the time of the last preceding 9 10 general election are] IS truly stated opposite my signature hereto, [I intend to support at the ensuing election,] and I do hereby nominate the 11 following named person as a candidate for nomination for the public office of member of the board of education of the city of Albany to 12 13 14 be voted for at the election to be held on the..... day of....,[19] 20..... 15
- 16 In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand the day and year 17 placed opposite my signature.

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25	[At the Tim	e of the Last Preceding Ge	eneral Election
26	Residence	Ward	Election District
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- 30 S 3. Paragraph g of subdivision 9 of section 2502 of the education 31 law, as added by chapter 65 of the laws of 1972, is amended to read as 32 follows:
- 33 g. The petition shall be authenticated by witnesses. Such statement 34 shall be accepted for all purposes as the equivalent of an affidavit, 35 and if false shall subject the witness to the same penalties as if he OR 36 SHE had been duly sworn. The form of such statement shall be substan-37 tially as follows:

38 Statement of Witness

I,..... (name of witness), state: I am a duly 39 qualified voter of the state of New York, and now reside [in the city, 40 41 town or village of, in such state,] at [(fill in street and house number and post 42 43 office) therein] (RESIDENCE ADDRESS). [I was last registered for the 44 general election in the year from (fill in city, town or village) in the county of, in such 45 state. The said residence was then in the (fill in number) 47 election district of the (fill in ward in a city, or town, if outside a city). I know each of the voters whose names 48 are subscribed to this petition sheet containing (fill in number) 49

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1	signatures and each of them subscribed the same in my
2	presence and upon so subscribing declared to me that the foregoing
3	statement, made and subscribed by him, was true.]
4	EACH OF THE INDIVIDUALS WHOSE NAMES ARE SUBSCRIBED TO THIS PETITION
5	SHEET CONTAINING (FILL IN NUMBER) SIGNATURES,
6	SUBSCRIBED THE SAME IN MY PRESENCE ON THE DATE ABOVE INDICATED AND IDEN-
7	TIFIED HIMSELF OR HERSELF TO BE THE INDIVIDUAL WHO SIGNED THIS SHEET.
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9	Signature of witness
10	Date

11 S 4. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-12 ing the date on which it shall have become a law and shall apply to 13 elections occurring on or after such date.