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

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to compelling the board of elections to notify voters whenever a polling place location is to be changed or moved

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

Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 4-104 of the election law is amended to read as follows:

2. If the board of elections, after designating a polling place, and after sending written notice of such polling place to each registered voter, designates an alternative, OR CHANGES THE LOCATION OF A polling place, it must, at least [five days] THREE MONTHS before the next election or day for registration, send by mail a written notice to each registered voter notifying him OR HER of the changed location of such polling place AND THE BOARD SHALL NOTIFY THE GENERAL PUBLIC THROUGH A COMPREHENSIVE NOTIFICATION PROCESS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, MAILING POST CARDS OR POSTING NOTICES AT THE PREVIOUS POLLING PLACE LOCATION AND THROUGHOUT THE LOCAL COMMUNITY WHERE THE PREVIOUS POLLING PLACE WAS ORIGINALLY LOCATED. If such notice is not possible the board of elections must provide for an alternative form of notice to be given to voters AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC at the location of the previous polling place.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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