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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to Buffalo city school  
district petitions for nomination of school board members

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

1     Section 1. Paragraphs f and g of subdivision 10 of section 2553 of the  
2     education law, as added by chapter 242 of the laws of 1974, are amended  
3     to read as follows:  
4     f. Petitions for the nomination of members of such school board shall  
5     be on white paper containing the required signatures of qualified voters  
6     of the city of Buffalo. The sheets of such petition shall be numbered  
7     consecutively, beginning with number one, at the foot of each sheet.  
8     Such a petition must set forth in every instance the correct date of  
9     signing, the full name of the signer[, ] AND his [present] OR HER resi-  
10    dence[, the residence from which he was registered at the time of the  
11    last preceding general election, if he was registered at that time, the  
12    city school subdistrict of such residence at such time and the election  
13    district thereof at such time. A signer need not himself fill in the  
14    date, residence or residences, city school subdistrict or election  
15    district. The election district of the signer to be filed in the peti-  
16    tion shall be the election district in effect at the time of the last  
17    preceding general election. If the residence from which the signer was  
18    registered at the time of the last preceding general election is the  
19    same as his present residence, the word "same" may be written, instead  
20    of repeating the place of residence. If the signer was not registered at  
21    the time of the last general election, he shall write "not registered at  
22    that time."]. A SIGNER NEED ONLY PLACE HIS OR HER SIGNATURE UPON THE  
23    PETITION, AND NEED NOT HIMSELF OR HERSELF FILL IN THE OTHER REQUIRED  
24    INFORMATION.  
25    g. Each sheet of such a petition shall be signed in ink and shall be  
26    substantially in the following form:  
27    I, the undersigned, do hereby state that I am a duly qualified voter  
28    of the city of Buffalo, that my [present] place of residence [and my

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

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1 place of residence at the time of the last preceding general election if  
 2 I was registered at such time are] IS truly stated opposite my signature  
 3 hereto, [I intend to support at the ensuing election] and I do hereby  
 4 nominate the following named person as a candidate for nomination (for  
 5 the public office of member of the board of education of the city of  
 6 Buffalo at large.....day of....., [19] 20.....,  
 7 (for the city school subdistrict.....day of....., [19]  
 8 20.....)

9 In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand the day and year  
 10 placed opposite my signature.

11	Date	Name of Signer	Present Residence
12	.....	.....	.....
13	.....	.....	.....
14	.....	.....	.....

15 [At the Time of the Last Preceding General Election.

16	Residence	City School Subdistrict	Election District
17	.....	.....	.....
18	.....	.....	.....
19	.....	.....	.....]

20 The petition shall be authenticated by witnesses. Such statement shall  
 21 be accepted for all purposes as the equivalent of an affidavit, and if  
 22 false shall subject the witness to the same penalties as if he OR SHE  
 23 had been duly sworn. The form of such statement shall be substantially  
 24 as follows:

25 STATEMENT OF WITNESS

26 I,....., (name of witness), state: I am a duly quali-  
 27 fied voter of the state of New York, and now reside in the city, town or  
 28 village of....., in such state, at  
 29 .....(fill in street and house number and post office)  
 30 therein. I know each of the voters whose names are subscribed to this  
 31 petition sheet containing (fill in number).....signatures and  
 32 each of them subscribed the same in my presence and upon so subscribing  
 33 declared to me that the foregoing statement, made and subscribed by him,  
 34 was true.

35	.....
36	Signature of witness
37	Date.....

38 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.