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Introduced by M. of A. KATZ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the legislative law, in relation to voting procedures

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

Section 1. The legislative law is amended by adding a new section 54-b to read as follows:

S 54-B. VOTING PROCEDURES. 1. THE SENATE AND THE ASSEMBLY SHALL EACH:

(A) ENACT INTO LAW NO LESS THAN ONE-SIXTH OF THE TOTAL BILLS ORIGINATING IN EACH RESPECTIVE HOUSE DURING THE COURSE OF A LEGISLATIVE SESSION; AND

(B) VOTE ON ONE-SIXTH OF THE TOTAL BILLS HAVING BEEN INTRODUCED AT THE BEGINNING OF A LEGISLATIVE SESSION EACH MONTH OF SUCH SESSION.

2. ALL BILLS THE LEGISLATURE MAY CONSIDER, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF BUDGETARY BILLS, SHALL BE INTRODUCED AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

3. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL NOT APPLY TO EXTRAORDINARY SESSIONS OF THE LEGISLATURE.

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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