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I N S E N A T E

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Introduced by Sens. MARCHIONE, DeFRANCISCO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Elections -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to prohibiting the use of pasters, stickers and labels on ballots; and to repeal section 7-126 of the election law relating to the use of pasters

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

- 1 Section 1. Subdivision 4 of section 8-308 of the election law, as
2 added by chapter 156 of the laws of 1994, is amended to read as follows:
3 4. A write-in ballot may also be cast by the use of a name stamp. THE
4 USE OF NAME STICKERS, LABELS OR PASTERS IS PROHIBITED.
5 S 2. Section 17-134 of the election law is amended to read as follows:
6 S 17-134. Unlawful use of pasters. An election officer or other person
7 who uses a paster, STICKER OR LABEL upon an official ballot, at any
8 election, except as authorized and in the manner provided by this chap-
9 ter, is guilty of a felony.
10 S 3. Section 7-126 of the election law is REPEALED and a new section
11 7-126 is added to read as follows:
12 S 7-126. BALLOTS; PASTERS, OR STICKERS, USE OF. NO PASTERS OR STICKERS
13 SHALL BE AFFIXED TO ANY OFFICIAL BALLOT BY ANY VOTER. THE BOARD OF
14 ELECTIONS MAY AUTHORIZE ELECTION OFFICIALS TO AFFIX A PASTER OR STICKER
15 UPON UNVOTED BALLOTS. ALL OF THE VOTED BALLOTS FOR WHICH THE USE OF A
16 PASTER OR STICKER SHALL HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED SHALL BE MANUALLY CANVASSED
17 AND SHALL NOT BE CANVASSED BY A BALLOT SCANNER.
18 S 4. 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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