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Introduced by Sen. CARLUCCI -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Elections

AN ACT to amend the election law and the town law, in relation to elections; and to repeal section 6-200 of the election law relating to village elections

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 6-202 of the election law, 1 as 2 added by chapter 359 of the laws of 1989, is amended to read as follows: 1. Party nominations of candidates for village offices in any county 3 shall be made at a party caucus or at a primary election, as the rules 4 5 of the county committee, heretofore or hereafter adopted consistent with б the provisions of this chapter shall provide. If the rules of the county 7 committee of any political party provide that party nominations for village offices of that party in any or all villages in the county shall 8 9 be made at a village primary election, such primary election shall be 10 held [forty-nine days prior to the date of the village election] the 11 first Tuesday after the second Monday in September before every general 12 election in an even-numbered year unless otherwise changed by an act of 13 the legislature. In the event there is no village committee with a 14 chairman, the chairman of the county committee, or such other person or body as the rules of such committee may provide, shall designate an 15 enrolled member of the party who is a qualified voter of the village as 16 the village election chairman. The chairman of the county committee of 17 18 each party in which nominations in any village are made at a primary 19 election shall file with the board of elections, at least one week 20 before the first day to file designating petitions for such primary 21 elections, a list of the name and address of the chairman of the village 22 committee or the village election chairman in each such village. Such 23 village chairman shall have general party responsibility for the conduct

EXPLANATION--Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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the village caucus or primary election. Such nominations shall be 1 of 2 made not more than fifty-six, nor less than forty-nine days prior to the 3 date of the village election. § 2. Paragraphs a and b of subdivision 1 of section 15-104 of the 4 5 election law, paragraph a as amended by chapter 248 of the laws of 1983 б and paragraph b as amended by chapter 565 of the laws of 1998, are 7 amended to read as follows: 8 a. The general village election shall be held on the [third Tuesday in 9 March except in any village which presently elects, or hereafter adopts a proposition to elect, its officers on a date other than the third 10 Tuesday in March] Tuesday next succeeding the first Monday in November 11 <u>in an even-numbered year</u>. 12 13 [b. In any village in which the general village election, or a special 14 village election for officers pursuant to this chapter, is scheduled to be held on the third Tuesday of March, for any year in which the seven-15 teenth day of March shall fall on such Tuesday, the board of trustees of 16 17 such village shall provide, by the resolution prescribed by paragraph b of subdivision three of this section, that such election shall be held 18 the eighteenth day of March. Any provision of a resolution adopted 19 on-20 pursuant to this subdivision shall not otherwise alter the political 21 calendar for any such election, which shall continue to be computed from the third Tuesday of March. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivi-22 sion five of this section, any provision of a resolution adopted pursu-23 ant to this subdivision shall be effective only if such provision is 24 25 specifically published as provided by this section. 26 § 3. Section 6-200 of the election law is REPEALED.

27 § 4. Section 80 of the town law, is amended to read as follows:

28 § 80. Biennial town elections. [Except as otherwise provided in this 29 **chapter,** a biennial town election for the election of town officers 30 and for the consideration of such questions as may be proposed by the 31 town board or the duly qualified electors, pursuant to the provisions of 32 this chapter, shall be held on the Tuesday next succeeding the first 33 Monday in November of every [odd-numbered] even-numbered year. All other town elections are special elections. A town election or special town 34 35 election held pursuant to this chapter, shall be construed as a substi-36 tute, for a town meeting or a special town meeting heretofore provided to be held by law, and a reference in any law to a town meeting or 37 special town meeting shall be construed as referring to a town election 38 39 or special town election.

40 § 5. Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law or of any other 41 general, special or local law, all elections of any position of a county 42 elected official, town elected official, village elected official or elected official of the city of New York shall occur on the Tuesday next 43 44 succeeding the first Monday in November. All such elections shall occur 45 in an even-numbered year.

46 This act shall take effect at the first general election in an § 6. 47 even-numbered year next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law; provided, however, that effective immediately, the addi-48 49 tion, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized and 50 directed to be made and completed on or before such effective date. 51