

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

January 3, 2018

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

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to authorizing registered voters to vote at primary and general elections within fourteen days of such elections

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

1 Section 1. Article 8 of the election law is amended by adding a new
2 title 6 to read as follows:

TITLE VI

EARLY VOTING AT BOARD OF ELECTIONS

6 Section 8-600. Early voting; general.

7 8-602. Early voting period.

8 8-604. Early voting procedure.

9 8-606. Early voting; state board of elections.

10 § 8-600. Early voting; general. A registered voter shall be permitted,
11 in any primary or general election held pursuant to the provisions of
12 this chapter, to vote in such election at the appropriate board of
13 elections during the early voting period for the election.

14 § 8-602. Early voting period. The early voting period, required pursu-
15 ant to section 8-600 of this title, shall be during the normal business
16 hours of the board of elections on each day that is fourteen or fewer
17 days prior to the election the registered voter is engaged in voting
18 early therein.

19 § 8-604. Early voting procedure. Each board of elections, during the
20 early voting period provided pursuant to section 8-602 of this title,
21 shall provide a ballot to a registered voter for the elections to be
22 conducted in such voter's election district. Upon completion of a ballot
23 by a registered voter such ballot shall be placed in a sealed envelope
24 to be transmitted to the normal polling place of such voter, to be
25 opened only upon the closing of the polls on the regular date of the
26 primary or general election, and counted at that time. The board of
27 elections shall duly note each voter who has voted during the early

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

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1 voting period, and provide such information to the appropriate polling
2 places and provide notice that the voter has submitted a ballot and is
3 not entitled to vote again.

4 § 8-606. Early voting; state board of elections. The state board of
5 elections shall promulgate rules and regulations for the administration
6 and conducting of early voting and the counting of the ballots therefrom
7 pursuant to this title.

8 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to primary
9 and general elections conducted on or after January 1, 2019.