

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

March 6, 2020

Introduced by Sen. MYRIE -- 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 the creation, consolidation, division, and alteration of election districts by the board of elections in the city of New York

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph a of subdivision 3 of section 4-100 of the
2 election law, as amended by chapter 659 of the laws of 1994, is amended
3 to read as follows:

4 a. Each election district shall be in compact form and may not be
5 partly within and partly without a ward, town, city, a village which has
6 five thousand or more inhabitants and is wholly within one town, or a
7 county legislative, assembly, senatorial or congressional district.
8 Except as provided in paragraph b of this subdivision, election district
9 boundaries, other than those boundaries which are coterminous with the
10 boundaries of those political subdivisions mentioned in this paragraph,
11 must be streets, rivers, railroad lines or other permanent character-
12 istics of the landscape which are clearly visible to any person without
13 the need to use any technical or mechanical device. An election district
14 shall contain not more than nine hundred fifty registrants (excluding
15 registrants in inactive status) or, with the approval of the county
16 board of elections, not more than eleven hundred fifty registrants
17 (excluding registrants in inactive status), except in the city of New
18 York where an election district shall not contain more than four thou-
19 sand registrants (excluding registrants in inactive status), but any
20 election district may be divided for the convenience of the voters.

21 § 2. 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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