STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

March 24, 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 voting

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

Section 1. Paragraphs (c) and (d) of subdivision 2 of section 8-400 of the election law, paragraph (c) as amended by chapter 321 of the laws of 1988, and paragraph (d) as separately amended by chapters 97 and 104 of the laws of 2010, are amended to read as follows:

- (c) All applications must be mailed <u>or delivered</u> to the board of elections not later than [the seventh day] two days before the election for which a ballot is first requested or delivered to such board not later than the day before such election.
- 9 (d) The board of elections shall mail an absentee ballot to every 10 qualified voter otherwise eligible for such a ballot, who requests such 11 an absentee ballot from such board of elections in writing in a letter, 12 **electronic mail,** telefax indicating the address, phone number and the 13 telefax number from which the writing is sent or other written instru-14 ment, which is [signed by the voter and] received by the board of 15 elections not earlier than the thirtieth day nor later than [the seventh 16 day two days before the election for which the ballot is first 17 requested and which states the address where the voter is registered and 18 the address to which the ballot is to be mailed; provided, however, a military voter may request a military ballot or voter registration 20 application or an absentee ballot application in a letter as provided in subdivision three of section 10-106 of this chapter; and provided 21 further, a special federal voter may request a special federal ballot or 22 23 voter registration application or an absentee ballot application in a 24 letter as provided in paragraph d of subdivision one of section 11-202 25 of this chapter. The board of elections shall enclose with such ballot a form of application for absentee ballot if the applicant is registered 27 with such board of elections.
 - § 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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