

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

July 24, 2020

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Taylor) --  
read once and referred to the Committee on Election Law

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to including a statement  
on the envelopes of ballots for absentee voters and special presiden-  
tial voters for signature affirmation

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

Section 1. Subdivision 6 of section 7-122 of the election law, as  
amended by chapter 411 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as  
follows:

6. On the reverse side of such inner affirmation envelope shall be  
printed the following statement:

### AFFIRMATION

I do declare that I am a citizen of the United States, that I am duly  
registered in the election district shown on the reverse side of this  
envelope and I am qualified to vote in such district; that I will be  
unable to appear personally on the day of the election for which this  
ballot is voted at the polling place of the election district in which I  
am a qualified voter because of the reason given on my application here-  
tofore submitted; that I have not qualified nor do I intend to vote  
elsewhere, that I have not committed any act nor am I under any imped-  
iment which denies me the right to vote.

I hereby declare that the foregoing is a true statement to the best of  
my knowledge and belief, and I understand that if I make any material  
false statement in the foregoing statement of absentee voter, I shall be  
guilty of a misdemeanor.

Date.....20.....  
Signature or mark of voter

.....  
Signature of Witness (required only  
if voter does not sign his or her own  
name)

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

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1 .....  
2 Address of Witness

3 IMPORTANT TO ABSENTEE VOTER: YOU MUST SIGN THE AFFIRMATION ON THIS  
4 ENVELOPE.

5 § 2. Subdivision 3 of section 7-125 of the election law, as amended by  
6 chapter 411 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as follows:

7 3. On the reverse side of such envelope shall be printed the follow-  
8 ing statement:

9 STATEMENT OF SPECIAL PRESIDENTIAL VOTER

10 I do declare I am a qualified special presidential voter of said  
11 district; that I am not qualified and am not able to qualify to vote  
12 elsewhere than as set forth on the reverse side of this envelope; that I  
13 am a citizen of the United States; that on the date of the election for  
14 which this ballot is voted, I will be at least eighteen years of age;  
15 and that I have not committed any act, nor am I under any impediment,  
16 which denies me the right to vote.

17 I hereby declare that the foregoing is a true statement to the best of  
18 my knowledge and belief, and I understand that if I make any material  
19 false statement in the foregoing statement, I shall be guilty of a  
20 misdemeanor.

21 Date.....20.....  
22 Signature or mark of voter

23 .....  
24 Signature of Witness (required only  
25 if voter does not sign his or her own  
26 name)

27 .....  
28 Address of Witness

29 IMPORTANT TO SPECIAL PRESIDENTIAL VOTER: YOU MUST SIGN THE AFFIRMATION  
30 ON THIS ENVELOPE.

31 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.