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Introduced by M. of A. NORRIS -- read once and referred to the Committee on Election Law

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to expanding voter registration to include registration by certain agencies or entities

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

Section 1. Subdivision 13 of section 5-900 of the election law, as amended by chapter 37 of the laws of 2021, is amended to read as follows:

13. **(a)** Beginning January first, two thousand twenty-three, designated agencies for purposes of this section shall include the department of motor vehicles.

(b) Beginning January first, two thousand twenty-four, designated agencies for the purposes of this section shall also include**:**

(i) the department of health, the office of temporary and disability assistance, the department of labor, the office of adult career and continuing education services - vocational rehabilitation, county and city departments of social services, and the New York city housing authority[**, as well as**]**;**

(ii) any other agency or entity that accepts an application or collects a fee in exchange for a government or educational service, which includes but is not limited to the following:

(A) the department of agriculture and markets;

(B) the department of taxation and finance;

(C) the department of environmental conservation;

(D) the department of financial services;

(E) the state insurance fund;

(F) the office of the professions;

(G) the division of licensing services;

(H) the empire state development corporation;

(I) the state liquor authority;

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

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(J) the state workers' compensation board;
(K) the division of military and naval affairs;
(L) the office of real property tax services and local assessors;
(M) public and private colleges and universities and career and vocational schools; and
(N) any municipal offices processing pistol permits, birth, marriage or death certificates, hunting and fishing licenses, building permits and economic development applications.
(iii) any other agency designated by the governor.
[~~Beginning January first, two thousand twenty-five, designated agencies for the purposes of this section shall also include the state university of New York.~~]
(c) Each designated agency shall enter into an agreement with the state board of elections finalizing the format and content of electronic transmissions required by this section. The state board of elections shall prepare and distribute to designated agencies written instructions as to the implementation of the program and shall be responsible for establishing training programs for employees of designated agencies listed in this section. Such instructions and such training shall ensure usability of the integrated application for low English proficiency voters. Any such designated agency shall take all actions that are necessary and proper for the implementation of this section, including facilitating technological capabilities to allow transmission of data through an interface with the electronic voter registration transmittal system in a secure manner.
§ 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as section 1 of chapter 37 of the laws of 2021, takes effect.