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

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to prohibiting judicial candidates from enrolling voters in minor parties

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

Section 1. Section 1-104 of the election law is amended by adding a new subdivision 3-a to read as follows:

3-a. The term "minor party" shall mean a party that, excluding blank and void ballots, received less than ten percent of the total votes cast for its candidate for governor in the year in which a governor is elected, and less than ten percent of the total votes cast for its candidate for president in a year when a president is elected.

§ 2. The election law is amended by adding a new section 17-163 to read as follows:

§ 17-163. Enrollment of voters in minor parties; judicial candidates. An individual having received nomination as a judicial candidate for an upcoming election in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, who engages in any concerted effort to enroll voters in a minor party, shall be disqualified from holding judicial office.

§ 3. 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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