

STATE OF NEW YORK

1310

2021-2022 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 11, 2021

Introduced by Sen. BRESLIN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to requiring the county seat in Washington county to have at least one polling place designated for early voting

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 2 of section 8-600 of the
2 election law, as added by a chapter of the laws of 2020, amending the
3 election law, relating to requiring municipalities with the highest
4 population in each county to have at least one polling place designated
5 for early voting, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S.8782 and A.
6 8610-B, is amended to read as follows:

7 (a) The board of elections shall designate polling places for early
8 voting, which may include the offices of the board of elections, for
9 persons to vote early pursuant to this title; provided, however, that
10 the municipality with the highest population in each county based on the
11 latest federal decennial census, or the county seat in Washington coun-
12 ty, shall have at least one polling place designated for early voting,
13 and to the extent practicable if such municipality has public transpor-
14 tation routes, such polling place shall be situated along such transpor-
15 tation routes. There shall be so designated at least one early voting
16 polling place for every full increment of fifty thousand registered
17 voters in each county; provided, however, the number of early voting
18 polling places in a county shall not be required to be greater than ten
19 unless required by any other provision of law, and a county with fewer
20 than fifty thousand voters shall have at least one early voting polling
21 place.

22 § 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same
23 manner as a chapter of the laws of 2020 amending the election law,
24 relating to requiring municipalities with the highest population in each
25 county to have at least one polling place designated for early voting,
26 as proposed in legislative bills numbers S.8782 and A. 8610-B, takes
27 effect.

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

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