

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

January 12, 2021

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Introduced by Sens. GAUGHRAN, BIAGGI, BRESLIN, COMRIE, KAPLAN, STAVISKY  
-- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to  
the Committee on Elections -- recommitted to the Committee on  
Elections in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee  
discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted  
to said committee

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to the number of polling  
sites for early voting in certain cities and towns

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 2 of section 8-600 of the  
2 election law, as amended by chapter 781 of the laws of 2021, is amended  
3 to read as follows:

4 (a) (i) The board of elections shall designate polling places for  
5 early voting, which may include the offices of the board of elections,  
6 for persons to vote early pursuant to this title.

7 (ii) In cities or towns with a population of more than one hundred  
8 thousand, but less than one million based on the latest federal decenni-  
9 al census, there shall be at least one early voting polling place for  
10 every full increment of fifty thousand persons in such cities and towns  
11 based on the latest federal decennial census; provided, however, the  
12 number of early voting polling places in each such city and town shall  
13 not be required to be greater than eleven, and to the extent practica-  
14 ble, if such cities or towns have public transportation routes, such  
15 polling places shall be situated along such transportation routes.

16 § 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same  
17 manner as chapter 781 of the laws of 2021, takes effect.

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

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