

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sens. MYRIE, BIAGGI, HOYLMAN, MAYER, SKOUFIS -- read twice  
and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee  
on Elections

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to construction of voting  
machines and systems

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

1 Section 1. Paragraphs s and t of subdivision 1 of section 7-202 of the  
2 election law, as added by chapter 181 of the laws of 2005, are amended  
3 and a new paragraph u is added to read as follows:

4 s. permit alternative language accessibility pursuant to the require-  
5 ments of section 203 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C.  
6 1973aa-1a) such that it must have the capacity to display the full  
7 ballot in the alternative languages required by the federal Voting  
8 Rights Act if such voting machine or system is to be used where such  
9 alternative languages are required or where the local board deems such  
10 feature necessary; [~~and~~]

11 t. not include any device or functionality potentially capable of  
12 externally transmitting or receiving data via the internet or via radio  
13 waves or via other wireless means[~~-~~]; and

14 u. be constructed so that, after the paper ballot is cast by the  
15 voter, the voting machine or system never passes the cast ballot under a  
16 printer that can print votes onto the ballot, including as a result of  
17 unauthorized, malicious and/or faulty software and/or firmware.

18 § 2. 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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