

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

March 5, 2021

Introduced by Sen. RITCHIE -- 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 requiring the county seat in Saint Lawrence 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 amended by chapter 344 of the laws of 2020, is amended
3 to read as follows:

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

19 § 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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