STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

March 7, 2023

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

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to the number of signatures needed on certain designating petitions and independent nominations

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

Section 1. Paragraphs (k) and (l) of subdivision 2 of section 6-136 of the election law, as amended by chapter 79 of the laws of 1992, are amended and a new paragraph (m) is added to read as follows:

(k) For any other office to be filled by the voters of a political subdivision containing more than one assembly district, county or other political subdivision, not to exceed the aggregate of the signatures required for the subdivisions or parts of subdivisions so contained; [~~and~~]

(l) For any county legislative district, five hundred signatures[~~.~~]**; and**

(m) For town council districts, five hundred signatures or five per centum, as determined by the preceding enrollment, of the then enrolled voters of the party residing within the political unit in which the office or position is to be voted for (excluding inactive voters), whichever is less.

§ 2. Paragraph (i) of subdivision 2 of section 6-142 of the election law, as amended by chapter 79 of the laws of 1992, is amended and a new paragraph (j) is added to read as follows:

(i) for any office to be filled by the voters of any political subdivision contained within another political subdivision except as herein otherwise provided, not to exceed the number of signatures required for the larger subdivision[~~.~~]**; and**

(j) for town council districts, five hundred signatures or five per centum of the total number of votes cast for governor at the last gubernatorial election in such unit, excluding blank and void votes, whichever is less.

§ 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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