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Introduced by M. of A. GOODELL, MAHER, K. BROWN, BRABENEC, MANKTELOW, HAWLEY, LEMONDES, BENDETT, MORINELLO, TAGUE, DeSTEFANO -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. BYRNES -- read once and referred to the Committee on Election Law

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to enacting the "voter registration integrity act"

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

Section 1. Short title. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "voter registration integrity act".

§ 2. Section 5-210 of the election law is amended by adding a new subdivision 5-a to read as follows:

**5-a. In addition to documentation of New York residency, the board of elections shall require that each first-time voter registration application include one of the following:**

**(a) an original or certified copy of a birth certificate establishing United States citizenship;**

**(b) a valid United States passport;**

**(c) a certificate of naturalization or citizenship; or**

**(d) such other documentation that the board of elections determines establishes United States citizenship.**

§ 3. Clause (D) of subparagraph (viii) of paragraph (k) of subdivision 5 of section 5-210 of the election law, as amended by chapter 536 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as follows:

(D) a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or other government document that shows the name and address of the voter**; and**

**(E) in addition to documentation of New York residency, a copy of one of the following:**

**(1) an original or certified copy of a birth certificate establishing United States citizenship;**

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

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**(2) a valid United States passport;**
**(3) a certificate of naturalization or citizenship; or**
**(4) such other documentation that the board of elections determines establishes United States citizenship**.

§ 4. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed on or before such effective date.