STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

February 28, 2024

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

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to the dates to file a designating petition; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

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

Section 1. Section 6-134 of the election law is amended by adding a new subdivision 4-a to read as follows:

4-a. Notwithstanding the time fixed in subdivision four of this section, for the year two thousand twenty-four, any signature made on a designating petition for the public office of representative in the house of representatives of the congress of the United States, or any party position elected from a congressional district, made earlier than February twenty-ninth, two thousand twenty-four shall not be counted for such office or party position; provided, however, any signature made on a designating petition for offices or party positions other than for the public office of representative in the house of representatives of the congress of the United States, or any party position elected from a congressional district, which is consistent with the time fixed in subdivision four of this section shall be counted for such office or party position.

§ 2. Section 2-120 of the election law is amended by adding a new subdivision 1-a to read as follows:

1-a. (a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no change shall be made to an election district line in effect as of February twenty-seventh, two thousand twenty-four except if such election district is bisected by a change in a congressional district boundary line. Such change to an election district line shall be in conformance with the provisions of this subdivision. Any election district as of February twenty-seventh, two thousand twenty-four that is not bisected by a change in a congressional district line shall not be changed nor renumbered after February twenty-seventh, two thousand twenty-four unless specifically required by law.

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

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(b) For the year two thousand twenty-four, when a party position is to be elected from an election district altered pursuant to this subdivision as a result of a new congressional district line bisecting such election district, any candidate petitioning for such party position therefrom shall be deemed to be a candidate from the new election district created pursuant to this subdivision which has the largest portion of the population of such original election district. Such larger portion shall retain the election district number of the original election district. The portion of such original election district with the smaller population shall also be a new election district, but in the year two thousand twenty-four, no party positions shall be elected therefrom. Party positions from such smaller portion shall be deemed vacant and shall be filled by the county committee pursuant to subdivision one of section 2-118 of this article upon the reorganization of such party committee. Such smaller election district shall be numbered by the next unused election district number and no other election district shall be renumbered.

(c) For purposes of the requirement that a county committee shall be constituted by the election of at least twenty-five percent of its full complement pursuant to subdivision three of section 2-104 of this article, any newly created election district created pursuant to this subdivision shall be excluded from such twenty-five percent computation.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire December 31, 2024 when upon such date the provisions of this act shall be deemed repealed.