STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 5, 2023

Introduced by Sens. MAY, WEBB -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Elections -- recommitted to the Committee on Elections in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to the removal of an election commissioner

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

Section 1. Subdivision 7 of section 3-200 of the election law is amended to read as follows:

7. An election commissioner may be removed from office by the governor [~~for cause in the same manner as a sheriff~~] **or by affirmative vote of a majority of commissioners of the state board of elections for incompetence, misconduct, or other good cause, provided that prior to removal, such election commissioner shall be given a written copy of the charges against him or her and have an opportunity to be heard in his or her defense**. Any vacancy so resulting shall be filled in a manner prescribed by this article for filling vacancies.

§ 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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