

General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 329



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by: SEN. SAMPSON, 16th Dist. REP. DAUPHINAIS, 44th Dist. REP. MASTROFRANCESCO, 80th Dist.

## AN ACT REQUIRING PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING PURPOSES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That the general statutes be amended to require (1) each elector, prior 2 to voting in person at the polling place, to present a current and valid 3 photo identification that clearly displays such elector's name and 4 residential address; (2) each elector voting by absentee ballot to include 5 in the outer return envelope a photocopy of such a current and valid photo identification; (3) each public library to provide, free of charge, a 6 7 photocopy of any elector's current and valid photo identification for 8 purposes of voting by absentee ballot, the costs of which provision such 9 library may seek reimbursement from the State Treasurer; and (4) the 10 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to waive the fee associated with 11 obtaining, for voting purposes, a motor vehicle operator's license or 12 identity card for any person without means to pay such fee.

## Statement of Purpose:

To require photo identification for voting in person or by absentee ballot and to afford electors means of obtaining, free of charge, such photo identification or a photocopy thereof for purposes of so voting.