



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 745

LCO No. 1527



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:

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**AN ACT IMPLEMENTING SEVERAL REFORMS RELATING TO IN-
PERSON VOTING, ABSENTEE VOTING, SAME-DAY ELECTION
REGISTRATION, ELECTION CRIMES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT
OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND ELECTION LAWS.**

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

- 1 That title 9 of the general statutes be amended to (1) require photo
- 2 identification for voting in person or by absentee ballot and afford
- 3 electors means of obtaining, free of charge, such photo identification or
- 4 a photocopy thereof for purposes of so voting; (2) prohibit the
- 5 unsolicited mailing, delivery or other provision of absentee ballot
- 6 applications; (3) require the audit of same-day election registrations and
- 7 subsequent confirmation notices of such registrations; (4) require
- 8 registrars of voters to verify that any elector who votes by absentee
- 9 ballot actually resides at the address associated with such elector's
- 10 absentee ballot application and absentee ballot; (5) impose mandatory

11 minimum sentences for certain felony violations of election laws; (6)
12 require the Secretary of the State to develop and implement a process
13 for verifying the signatures upon returned absentee ballots against the
14 signatures upon the corresponding absentee ballot applications; and (7)
15 establish a standing legislative committee, consisting of eight members
16 of the House of Representatives, four from each major party, and six
17 members of the Senate, three from each major party, that shall have sole
18 cognizance of matters relating to the State Elections Enforcement
19 Commission, constitutional amendments and elections and election
20 laws.

Statement of Purpose:

To implement several reforms relating to in-person voting, absentee voting, same-day election registration, election crimes and legislative oversight of constitutional amendments and election laws.