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Amendment

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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSFER TO MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS OF VOTING TABULATORS AND ACCESSORIES PURCHASED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE."

After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
 internal references accordingly:

"Sec. 501. Subsection (b) of section 9-311 of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

6 (b) (1) The moderator shall determine the place or places where the 7 recanvass shall be conducted and, if such recanvass is held before the 8 tabulators are boxed and collected in the manner required by section 9-9 266, the moderator may either require that such recanvass of such 10 tabulators be conducted in each place where the tabulators are located, 11 or he may require that they be removed to one central place, where such 12 recanvass shall be conducted. All recanvassing procedures shall be open 13 to public observation, subject to the provisions of subsection (d) of this 14 section. [Such]

15 (2) (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, such recanvass officials shall, in the presence of such moderator and 16 17 registrars of voters, make a record of the number on the seal and the 18 number on the protective counter, if one is provided, on each voting 19 tabulator specified by such moderator. Such registrars of voters in the 20 presence of such moderator shall turn over the keys of each such 21 tabulator to such recanvass officials, and such recanvass officials, in the 22 presence of such registrars of voters and moderator, shall immediately 23 proceed to recanvass the vote cast thereon, and shall then open the 24 package of absentee ballots and recanvass the vote cast thereon. In the 25 course of the recanvass of the absentee ballot vote the recanvass officials 26 shall check all outer envelopes for absentee ballots against the inner 27 envelopes for such ballots and against the registry list to verify 28 postmarks, addresses and registry list markings and also to determine 29 whether the number of envelopes from which absentee ballots have 30 been removed is the same as the number of persons checked as having 31 voted by absentee ballot. The write-in ballots shall also be recanvassed 32 at this time. Any party representative present shall have a right to view 33 each ballot as it is being recanvassed by the recanvass officials, so as to 34 be able to discern the markings on such ballot. All of the recanvass 35 officials shall use the same forms for tallies and returns as were used at the original canvass and the absentee ballot counters shall also sign the 36 37 tallies.

(B) Whenever the recanvass involves an office for which all the
 electors of the state may vote, the Secretary of the State, with additional
 staffing support from the Auditors of Public Accounts as may be
 necessary, shall conduct such recanvass and shall perform all duties
 required of the recanvass officials under subparagraph (A) of this
 subdivision."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Sec. 501 *from passage* 9-311(b)