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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE'S RECOMMENDATIONS RELATED TO VOTING AND ELECTIONS IN THIS STATE."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (a) of section 9-21a of the general statutes is
- 4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from
- 5 passage):
- 6 (a) The Secretary of the State, at least annually, shall cause a search to
- 7 be made of computerized voter registration records to identify electors
- 8 who may be registered in more than one town, [or] registered more than
- 9 once in the same town, deceased or improperly registered due to lack of
- 10 <u>United States citizenship</u>. The Secretary shall compile, from such search,

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a list of possible duplicate registrations in any town or towns, possible

- 12 registrations of deceased individuals and possible registrations of non-
- 13 <u>United States citizens</u> and shall transmit such list to the registrars of
- 14 voters of the appropriate town or towns.
- Sec. 502. Subsection (i) of section 9-19j of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
- 17 passage):
- 18 (i) (1) After the acceptance of a same-day election registration, the 19 registrars of voters shall forthwith send a registration confirmation
- 20 notice to the residential address of each applicant who was admitted as
- 21 an elector on election day or during the period of early voting prior to
- 22 election day under this section. Such confirmation shall be sent by first
- 23 class mail with instructions on the envelope that it be returned if not
- 24 deliverable at the address shown on the envelope. If a confirmation
- 25 notice is returned undelivered, the registrars shall forthwith take the
- 26 necessary action in accordance with section 9-35 or 9-43, as applicable,
- 27 notwithstanding the May first deadline in section 9-35.
- 28 (2) (A) Not later than ninety days after election day, the registrars of
- 29 voters of each town shall (i) compile a report of (I) the number of persons
- 30 applying for same-day election registration as described in subsection
- 31 (d) of this section, (II) the number of such persons not permitted to
- 32 register in accordance with subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of
- 33 <u>subsection</u> (e) of this section, (III) the number of registration
- 34 <u>confirmation notices sent to admitted applicants, pursuant to</u>
- 35 <u>subdivision (1) of this subsection, that were returned undelivered, and</u>
- 36 (IV) the number of such admitted applicants that were subsequently
- 37 placed on the inactive registry list as a result of such notices being
- 38 returned undelivered, in accordance with subdivision (1) of this
- 39 <u>subsection and section 9-35, and (ii) submit such report to the Secretary</u>
- 40 <u>of the State.</u>
- 41 (B) Not later than one hundred twenty days after election day, the
- 42 Secretary of the State shall (i) aggregate all reports submitted to the

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43 Secretary under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision into one single

- 44 report, and (ii) submit such single report to the joint standing committee
- 45 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
- 46 <u>elections</u>, in accordance with section 11-4a, and to the State Elections
- 47 Enforcement Commission.
- 48 (3) Not later than five days after a determination of the registrars of
- 49 voters of any town that the residency of an admitted applicant cannot
- 50 <u>be verified because a registration confirmation notice for such applicant</u>
- 51 <u>was returned undelivered to such registrars</u>, as provided in subdivision
- 52 (1) of this subsection, such registrars shall report all information
- 53 resulting in such determination to the State Elections Enforcement
- 54 <u>Commission, which shall conduct an investigation of the matter.</u>
- 55 Sec. 503. Section 9-150a of the general statutes is amended by adding
- 56 subsection (n) as follows (*Effective from passage*):
- 57 (NEW) (n) (1) At the conclusion of the counting of absentee ballots,
- 58 the registrars of voters shall forthwith send a confirmation notice to the
- 59 residential address of each elector who voted by absentee ballot. Such
- 60 confirmation shall be sent by first class mail with instructions on the
- envelope that it be returned if not deliverable at the address shown on
- 62 the envelope. If a confirmation notice is returned undelivered, the
- 63 registrars shall forthwith take the necessary action in accordance with
- 64 section 9-35 or 9-43, as applicable, notwithstanding the May first
- 65 deadline in section 9-35.

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- (2) (A) Not later than ninety days after the close of the polls, the registrars of voters of each town shall (i) compile a report of (I) the number of persons who applied for an absentee ballot, (II) the number
- 69 of such persons who were issued absentee ballots, (III) the number of
- 70 registration confirmation notices sent to electors who voted by absentee
- 71 ballot, pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, that were returned
- 72 undelivered, and (IV) the number of such electors that were
- 73 subsequently placed on the inactive registry list as a result of such
- 74 notices being returned undelivered, in accordance with subdivision (1)

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of this subsection and section 9-35, and (ii) submit such report to the Secretary of the State.

- (B) Not later than one hundred twenty days after the close of the polls, the Secretary of the State shall (i) aggregate all reports submitted to the Secretary under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision into one single report, and (ii) submit such single report to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to elections, in accordance with section 11-4a, and to the State Elections Enforcement Commission.
- (3) Not later than five days after a determination of the registrars of voters of any town that the residency of an elector who voted by absentee ballot cannot be verified because a registration confirmation notice for such elector was returned undelivered to such registrars, as provided in subdivision (1) of this subsection, such registrars shall report all information resulting in such determination to the State Elections Enforcement Commission, which shall conduct an investigation of the matter."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:			, ,
Sec. 501	from passage	9-21a(a)	
Sec. 502	from passage	9-19j(i)	
Sec. 503	from passage	9-150a(n)	

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