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**"AN ACT CONCERNING VARIOUS REFORMS TO THE  
ADMINISTRATION OF ELECTIONS IN THIS STATE."**

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 9-139a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2026*):

5 (a) The Secretary of the State shall prescribe and furnish the following  
6 materials to municipal clerks: The absentee ballot facsimile, the  
7 application for absentee ballot authorized for use at each election or  
8 primary, the inner envelope, the outer envelope provided for the return  
9 of the ballot to the municipal clerk, the instructions for the use of the  
10 absentee ballot and the envelope for mailing of such forms by the clerk  
11 to the absentee ballot applicant.

12 (b) The application for absentee ballot shall be in the form of a  
13 statement signed under the penalties of false statement in absentee

14 balloting. Each application shall contain (1) spaces for the signature  
15 under the penalties of false statement in absentee balloting of any person  
16 who assists the applicant in the completion of an application together  
17 with the information required in section 9-140, as amended by this act,  
18 (2) spaces for the signature and the printed or typed name of the  
19 applicant, and (3) a clear and conspicuous notation of the year for which  
20 such application's use is authorized.

21 (c) The Secretary of the State shall prescribe and furnish to the  
22 Department of Correction an application for absentee ballot form for use  
23 within Department of Correction facilities. Such form shall contain  
24 spaces for all information required under subsection (b) of this section.  
25 Each such form shall be consecutively numbered and shall indicate that  
26 such form is only for use by an absentee ballot applicant who is  
27 incarcerated in a Department of Correction facility and that such  
28 applicant is required to provide in the appropriate space on such form  
29 a mailing address at the Department of Correction facility in order for  
30 an absentee ballot to be mailed to such applicant.

31 ~~[(c)]~~ (d) The instructions for the use of the absentee ballot shall be in  
32 plain language and shall include the steps to be taken if a vote is to be  
33 cancelled or changed, and shall also contain a simple and concise  
34 restatement of the provisions of subsection (l) of section 9-150a and  
35 section 9-159o concerning rejection of ballots marked in such manner as  
36 to identify the voters casting them, and withdrawal of ballots by persons  
37 who find they are able to vote at the polls.

38 ~~[(d)]~~ (e) A sufficient supply of such instructions and envelopes shall  
39 be printed to supply the number which the municipal clerk requests or  
40 the Secretary of the State deems sufficient.

41 Sec. 2. Subsection (g) of section 9-140 of the general statutes is  
42 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January*  
43 *1, 2026*):

44 (g) On the first day of issuance of absentee voting sets the municipal

45 clerk shall mail an absentee voting set to each applicant whose  
46 application was received by the clerk prior to that day. When the clerk  
47 receives an application during the time period in which absentee voting  
48 sets are to be issued he shall mail an absentee voting set to the applicant,  
49 within twenty-four hours, unless the applicant submits his application  
50 in person at the office of the clerk and asks to be given his absentee  
51 voting set immediately, in which case the clerk shall comply with the  
52 request. Any absentee voting set to be mailed to an applicant shall be  
53 mailed to the bona fide personal mailing address shown on the  
54 application. If an applicant has provided a mailing address at a  
55 Department of Correction facility and such applicant is subsequently  
56 transferred to another Department of Correction facility, the  
57 Commissioner of Correction shall ensure delivery of the absentee voting  
58 set to such applicant. Issuance of absentee voting sets shall also be  
59 subject to the provisions of subsection (c) of this section, section 9-150c  
60 and section 9-159q concerning persons designated to deliver or return  
61 ballots in cases involving unforeseen illness or disability and supervised  
62 voting at certain health care institutions.

63 Sec. 3. Subsection (k) of section 9-140 of the general statutes is  
64 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January*  
65 *1, 2026*):

66 (k) (1) A person shall register with the [town] municipal clerk before  
67 distributing five or more absentee ballot applications for an election,  
68 primary or referendum, not including applications distributed to such  
69 person's immediate family. Such requirement shall not apply to a person  
70 who is the designee of an applicant or to any employee of the  
71 Department of Correction who provides the application for absentee  
72 ballot form prescribed under subsection (c) of section 9-139a, as  
73 amended by this act, to incarcerated absentee ballot applicants.

74 (2) The municipal clerk shall reject the application of any absentee  
75 ballot applicant made upon the form prescribed under subsection (c) of  
76 section 9-139a, as amended by this act, if such form indicates any  
77 address other than an address at a Department of Correction facility.

78 The municipal clerk shall maintain a log of all applications of  
79 incarcerated absentee ballot applicants received by such municipal  
80 clerk, which log shall indicate the name and address of each applicant,  
81 the date of receipt of each application and the date such municipal clerk  
82 mailed the absentee ballot to such applicant or the reason why such  
83 application was rejected.

84 ~~[(2)]~~ (3) Any person who distributes absentee ballot applications shall  
85 maintain a list of the names and addresses of prospective absentee ballot  
86 applicants who receive such applications, and shall file such list with  
87 the [town] municipal clerk prior to the date of the primary, election or  
88 referendum for which the applications were so distributed, except that  
89 such requirements shall not apply to any employee of the Department  
90 of Correction who provides the application for absentee ballot form  
91 prescribed under subsection (c) of section 9-139a, as amended by this  
92 act, to incarcerated absentee ballot applicants. Any person who  
93 distributes absentee ballot applications and receives an executed  
94 application shall forthwith file the application with the [town]  
95 municipal clerk.

96 Sec. 4. Section 9-14a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
97 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2026*):

98 Any person in the custody of the state being held at a [community  
99 correctional center or a correctional institution] Department of  
100 Correction facility, whose voting rights have not been denied, shall be  
101 deemed to be absent from the town or city of which [he] such person is  
102 an inhabitant for purposes of voting, notwithstanding that such [center  
103 or institution] facility may be situated within such town or city.

104 Sec. 5. Subsection (b) of section 9-163aa of the general statutes is  
105 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*  
106 *2025*):

107 (b) (1) The registrars of voters of each municipality shall designate a  
108 location for the conduct of early voting, which location shall be the same

109 for the duration of the period of early voting except as otherwise  
110 specified in this subdivision, provided (A) the registrars of voters have  
111 access to the state-wide centralized voter registration system from such  
112 location, and (B) such location is certified in writing to the Secretary of  
113 the State not later than sixty days prior to the day of an election or a  
114 primary. The written certification under subparagraph (B) of this  
115 subdivision shall provide (i) the name, street address and relevant  
116 contact information associated with such location, (ii) the number of  
117 election or primary officials to be appointed by the registrars of voters  
118 to serve at such location and the roles of such officials, and (iii) a  
119 description of the design of such location and a plan for effective  
120 conduct of such early voting. The Secretary shall approve or disapprove  
121 such written certification not later than forty-five days prior to the day  
122 of an election or a primary. If the Secretary disapproves such  
123 certification, the Secretary shall provide, in writing, the reasons for such  
124 disapproval and shall issue an order for such corrective action as the  
125 Secretary deems necessary, including, but not limited to, the  
126 appointment of additional election or primary officials or the alteration  
127 of such design or plan. After having received approval of such  
128 certification or having complied with any order for corrective action to  
129 the Secretary's satisfaction, as applicable, the registrars of voters shall  
130 determine the site of such location designated for the conduct of early  
131 voting at least thirty-one days prior to an election or a primary. Such  
132 location shall not be changed within such period, except, if the  
133 municipal clerk and registrars of voters unanimously find that such  
134 location has been rendered unusable within such period, such clerk and  
135 registrars shall forthwith designate another location for the conduct of  
136 early voting to be used in place of the location so rendered unusable and  
137 shall give adequate notice that such location has been so changed. The  
138 provisions of sections 9-168d and 9-168e shall apply to such location  
139 designated for the conduct of early voting.

140 (2) In any municipality with a population of at least twenty thousand,  
141 the legislative body may hold a public hearing on whether to designate  
142 any additional location in such municipality for the conduct of early

143 voting, which public hearing, if any, shall be held not later than fifteen  
144 days prior to the time for designating any such location set forth in  
145 subdivision (1) of this subsection. Any legislative body holding such a  
146 public hearing shall properly notice such public hearing not later than  
147 ten days prior to such public hearing in a newspaper having general  
148 circulation in such municipality and on the Internet web site of the  
149 municipality. For any such municipality in which such a public hearing  
150 was not held, the legislative body thereof shall determine whether to  
151 designate any such additional location and shall notify the Secretary of  
152 the State with a detailed explanation for such determination. For any  
153 municipality in which such a public hearing was held, not later than  
154 three days after the conclusion of such public hearing, the legislative  
155 body thereof shall determine whether to designate any such additional  
156 location and shall notify the Secretary with a detailed explanation for  
157 such determination. If the legislative body determines that any such  
158 additional location be designated, the registrars of voters shall so  
159 designate such additional location and the provisions of subdivision (1)  
160 of this subsection shall apply to such additional location. The Secretary  
161 shall take no action on any detailed explanation submitted under this  
162 subdivision with regard to the number of additional locations  
163 designated in such a municipality, and shall preserve each such detailed  
164 explanation as a public record open to public inspection. For the  
165 purposes of this subdivision, "population" means the estimated number  
166 of people according to the most recent version of the State Register and  
167 Manual prepared pursuant to section 3-90.

168 (3) In any municipality containing any campus of a constituent unit,  
169 as defined in section 10a-1, with at least one thousand students living in  
170 housing that is on such campus or is owned or operated by, or affiliated  
171 with, such constituent unit, the registrars of voters of such municipality  
172 shall designate an additional location on such campus for the conduct  
173 of early voting and the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection  
174 shall apply to such additional location.

175 ~~[(3)]~~ (4) At each location designated for the conduct of early voting,

176 the registrars of voters shall provide to prospective electors during the  
177 early voting period the opportunity to apply for same-day election  
178 registration, in accordance with the procedures set forth in section 9-19j,  
179 as amended by this act, for such application and for the completion and  
180 processing of any such application.

181     ~~[(4)]~~ (5) (A) The registrars of voters shall appoint, for each day on  
182 which early voting is conducted, a moderator and such other election or  
183 primary officials to serve at each location designated for such conduct.  
184 The moderator so appointed shall perform any duty required, and may  
185 exercise any power authorized, under this title related to the conduct of  
186 early voting at such location. On any such day and solely for purposes  
187 related to the conduct of early voting, the registrars of voters of a  
188 municipality may, upon agreement, appoint one of the registrars from  
189 such municipality as moderator in accordance with the provisions of  
190 subparagraph (B) of this subdivision. The registrars of voters may  
191 delegate to each other election or primary official so appointed any of  
192 the responsibilities assigned to the registrars of voters. The registrars of  
193 voters shall supervise each such official and train each such official to be  
194 an early voting election or primary official.

195     (B) Whenever the registrars of voters of a municipality appoint,  
196 pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, one of the registrars  
197 of such municipality as moderator to serve at a location designated for  
198 the conduct of early voting, such registrars of voters shall jointly submit  
199 to the Secretary of the State (i) a certification that the registrars of voters  
200 of such municipality are in agreement as to such appointment, and (ii)  
201 a written plan detailing alternative coverage of the duties normally  
202 carried out by the registrar so appointed to ensure that such registrar  
203 abstains, on each day in which such registrar serves as moderator, from  
204 any such duties that conflict with those of the moderator.

205     Sec. 6. Subsection (d) of section 9-19j of the general statutes is repealed  
206 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

207     (d) Any person applying for same-day election registration under the

208 provisions of this section shall make application in accordance with the  
209 provisions of section 9-20, provided (1) (A) on election day, the applicant  
210 shall appear in person not later than eight o'clock p.m., in accordance  
211 with subsection (b) of section 9-174, at the location designated by the  
212 registrars of voters for same-day election registration, and (B) during the  
213 period of early voting prior to election day, the applicant shall appear  
214 in person at such times as provided in subdivision (1) of subsection (c)  
215 of section 9-174, at such location, (2) an applicant who is a student  
216 enrolled at an institution of higher education may submit a current  
217 photo identification card issued by such institution in lieu of the  
218 identification required by section 9-20, and (3) the applicant shall  
219 declare under oath that the applicant has not previously voted in the  
220 election, as provided in subsection (f) of this section. If the information  
221 that the applicant is required to provide under section 9-20 and this  
222 section does not include proof of the applicant's residential address, the  
223 applicant shall also (A) submit identification that shows the applicant's  
224 bona fide residence address, including, but not limited to, a learner's  
225 permit issued under section 14-36 or a utility bill that has the applicant's  
226 name and current address and that has a due date that is not later than  
227 thirty days after the election or, in the case of a student enrolled at an  
228 institution of higher education, a registration or fee statement from such  
229 institution that has the applicant's name and current address, or (B)  
230 prove the applicant's bona fide residence address by the testimony  
231 under oath of at least one elector.

232 Sec. 7. Subsection (b) of section 9-261 of the general statutes is  
233 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January*  
234 *1, 2026*):

235 (b) In the event that an elector is present at the polling place but is  
236 unable to gain access to the polling place due to [a temporary] an  
237 incapacity, the elector may request that the ballot be brought to him or  
238 her in the area designated pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-236, as  
239 amended by this act, for curbside voting. The registrars of voters or the  
240 assistant registrars of voters, as the case may be, shall take such ballot,



241 along with a privacy sleeve to such elector. The elector shall show  
242 identification, in accordance with the provisions of this section. The  
243 elector shall forthwith mark the ballot in the presence of the election  
244 officials in such manner that the election officials shall not know how  
245 the ballot is marked. The elector shall place the ballot in the privacy  
246 sleeve. The election officials shall mark the elector's name on the official  
247 voter list, manually on paper or electronically, as having voted in person  
248 and deliver such ballot and privacy sleeve to the voting tabulator where  
249 such ballot shall be placed into the tabulator, by the election official, for  
250 counting. The moderator shall record such activity in the moderator's  
251 diary.

252 Sec. 8. Section 9-236 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
253 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2026*):

254 (a) On the day of any primary, referendum or election, no person  
255 shall solicit on behalf of or in opposition to the candidacy of another or  
256 himself or on behalf of or in opposition to any question being submitted  
257 at the election or referendum, or loiter or peddle or offer any advertising  
258 matter, ballot or circular to another person within a radius of seventy-  
259 five feet of any outside entrance in use as an entry to any polling place  
260 or in any corridor, passageway or other approach leading from any such  
261 outside entrance to such polling place or in any room opening upon any  
262 such corridor, passageway or approach. Nothing contained in this  
263 section shall be construed to prohibit (1) parent-teacher associations or  
264 parent-teacher organizations from holding bake sales or other fund-  
265 raising activities on the day of any primary, referendum or election in  
266 any school used as a polling place, provided such sales or activities shall  
267 not be held in the room in which the election booths are located, (2) the  
268 registrars of voters from directing the officials at a primary, referendum  
269 or election to distribute, within the restricted area, adhesive labels on  
270 which are imprinted the words "I Voted Today", or (3) the registrars of  
271 voters in a primary, election or referendum from jointly permitting  
272 nonpartisan activities to be conducted in a room other than the room in  
273 which the election booths are located. The registrars may jointly impose

274 such conditions and limitations on such nonpartisan activity as deemed  
275 necessary to ensure the orderly process of voting. The moderator shall  
276 evict any person who in any way interferes with the orderly process of  
277 voting.

278 (b) (1) The selectmen shall provide suitable markers to indicate the  
279 seventy-five-foot distance from such entrance. Such markers shall  
280 consist of a board resting on an iron rod, which board shall be not less  
281 than twelve inches square and painted a bright color and shall bear the  
282 figures and letters "75 feet" and the following words: "On the day of any  
283 primary, referendum or election no person shall solicit in behalf of or in  
284 opposition to another or himself or peddle or offer any ballot,  
285 advertising matter or circular to another person or loiter within a radius  
286 of seventy-five feet of any outside entrance in use as an entry to any  
287 polling place or in any corridor, passageway or other approach leading  
288 from any such outside entrance to such polling place or in any room  
289 opening upon any such corridor, passageway or approach."

290 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this  
291 subsection, the selectmen may provide the markers required by the  
292 provisions of this subsection in effect prior to October 1, 1983, except  
293 that in the case of a referendum which is not held in conjunction with  
294 an election or a primary, the selectmen shall provide the markers  
295 required by subdivision (1) of this subsection.

296 (3) The moderator and the moderator's assistants shall meet at least  
297 twenty minutes before the opening of a primary, referendum or an  
298 election in the voting district, and shall cause to be placed by a police  
299 officer or constable, or such other primary or election official as they  
300 select, a suitable number of distance markers. Such moderator or any  
301 police officer or constable shall prohibit loitering and peddling of tickets  
302 within that distance.

303 (c) (1) The registrars of voters shall designate at each polling place an  
304 area for curbside voting where any elector who is present at the polling  
305 place, but is unable to gain access to the polling place due to an

306 incapacity, may request that the ballot be brought to such elector as  
307 provided in subsection (b) of section 9-261, as amended by this act.

308 (2) On the day of any primary, referendum or election, no person  
309 shall solicit on behalf of or in opposition to the candidacy of another or  
310 himself or on behalf of or in opposition to any question being submitted  
311 at the election or referendum, or loiter or peddle or offer any advertising  
312 matter, ballot or circular to another person within a marked radius of  
313 twenty feet of any elector who is brought a ballot in the area designated  
314 for curbside voting pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection.

315 (3) (A) While an elector is casting his or her ballot in the area  
316 designated for curbside voting pursuant to subdivision (1) of this  
317 subsection, no person shall be allowed in any vehicle being used by such  
318 elector to cast such ballot for any purpose other than casting such ballot  
319 or driving such elector to cast such ballot.

320 (B) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (A) of this  
321 subdivision, no candidate shall be allowed in any vehicle used for the  
322 casting of a ballot under this subsection unless for purposes of casting  
323 the candidate's own ballot.

324 (4) The Secretary of the State shall adopt regulations, in accordance  
325 with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the provisions of this  
326 subsection. Such regulations shall include, but not be limited to, a model  
327 plan that municipalities may implement for curbside voting.

328 [(c)] (d) No person shall be allowed within any polling place for any  
329 purpose other than casting his or her vote, except (1) those permitted or  
330 exempt under this section or section 9-236a, (2) primary officials under  
331 section 9-436, (3) election officials under section 9-258, including (A) a  
332 municipal clerk or registrar of voters, who is a candidate for the same  
333 office, performing his or her official duties, and (B) a deputy registrar of  
334 voters, who is a candidate for the office of registrar of voters, performing  
335 his or her official duties, or (4) unofficial checkers under section 9-235.  
336 Representatives of the news media shall be allowed to enter, remain

337 within and leave any polling place or restricted area surrounding any  
338 polling place to observe the election, provided any such representative  
339 who in any way interferes with the orderly process of voting shall be  
340 evicted by the moderator. A number of students in grades four to  
341 twelve, inclusive, not to exceed four at any one time in any one polling  
342 place, may enter any polling place between twelve o'clock noon and  
343 three o'clock p.m. for the purpose of observing the activities taking place  
344 in the polling place, provided there is proper parental or teacher  
345 supervision present, and provided further, any such student who in any  
346 way interferes with the orderly process of voting shall be evicted by the  
347 moderator. An elector may be accompanied into any polling place by  
348 one or more children who are fifteen years of age or younger and  
349 supervised by the elector if the elector is the parent or legal guardian of  
350 such children.

351     ~~[(d)]~~ (e) Any person who violates any provision of this section or,  
352 while the polls are open for voting, removes or injures any such distance  
353 marker, shall be guilty of a class C misdemeanor.

354     Sec. 9. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) There is established, within  
355 the office of the Secretary of the State, a Translation Advisory  
356 Committee for the purposes of (1) validating the translations of election-  
357 related materials for accuracy and ensuring that such translations meet  
358 the needs of the intended audience in a culturally responsive and  
359 linguistically appropriate way, and (2) making recommendations to the  
360 Secretary of the State and municipal officials on related matters.

361     (b) The Secretary of the State shall appoint members to serve on the  
362 Translation Advisory Committee based on an application that shall  
363 include the submission of a writing sample. Each member shall:

364     (1) Be a current resident of the state of Connecticut;

365     (2) Have experience in one or more of the municipalities served by  
366 the translation of election-related materials;

367     (3) Be proficient in reading and writing in (A) English, and (B) one or

368 more dialects of a language, other than English, that is spoken in  
369 Connecticut and in which federal or state law requires election-related  
370 materials be made available; and

371 (4) Have experience in (A) election administration, including, but not  
372 limited to, serving as a poll worker, or (B) bilingual educational settings  
373 or community assistance programs.

374 (c) The Secretary of the State shall make initial appointments to the  
375 Translation Advisory Committee not later than August 1, 2025. Each  
376 member shall serve for a term of four years from such appointment, or  
377 until a successor is appointed and has qualified.

378 (d) The Translation Advisory Committee shall meet as frequently as  
379 necessary to timely approve election-related materials translations prior  
380 to elections, primaries and referenda, but not less than quarterly each  
381 year. Committee members shall serve without compensation and shall  
382 not be eligible for mileage reimbursement. Not later than January 15,  
383 2027, and biennially thereafter, the committee shall submit to the  
384 Secretary of the State a report on the committee's proceedings, including  
385 any recommendations for improvements in performing the committee's  
386 duties under this section.

387 (e) The Secretary of the State may adopt regulations, in accordance  
388 with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to carry out the  
389 purposes of this section.

390 Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2026*) Each municipality that,  
391 pursuant to federal or state law, is required to make election-related  
392 materials available in a language other than English shall use  
393 professional translators when translating election-related materials  
394 from English into such other language. As soon as practicable, but in no  
395 case later than sixty-five days prior to each election, primary or  
396 referendum, such municipality shall submit its translated election-  
397 related materials to the Translation Advisory Committee established  
398 under section 9 of this act for review of such translations. As used in this

399 section, "professional translator" means a person who has attained (1)  
400 an academic certificate or degree in translation from an accredited  
401 institution of higher education, or (2) certification as a translator by a  
402 professional association or other accrediting organization.

403 Sec. 11. Section 9-50d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
404 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2025*):

405 (a) (1) Whenever voter registration information maintained under  
406 this title by the Secretary of the State or any registrar of voters is  
407 provided pursuant to any provision of the general statutes, disclosure  
408 of a voter's date of birth shall be limited to only the month and year of  
409 birth, unless such voter registration information is requested and used  
410 for a governmental purpose, as determined by the Secretary, in which  
411 case the voter's complete date of birth shall be provided. As used in this  
412 section, a governmental purpose shall include, but not be limited to, jury  
413 administration.

414 (2) The Secretary of the State shall include, in each contract entered  
415 into on or after October 1, 2025, for the purchase of voter registration  
416 information described in subdivision (1) of this subsection, a provision  
417 requiring that the purchaser agree to (A) only use such information for  
418 election-related, scholarly, journalistic, political or governmental  
419 purposes, and (B) not use such information for any personal, private or  
420 commercial purpose, including, but not limited to, (i) harassment of any  
421 voter or voter's household, (ii) advertising, solicitation, sale or  
422 marketing of products or services to any voter or voter's household, and  
423 (iii) reproduction of such information (I) in print, (II) in broadcast visual  
424 or audio, or (III) for display on the Internet or any computer terminal.

425 (3) The Secretary of the State may adopt regulations, in accordance  
426 with the provisions of chapter 54, concerning the permissible uses of  
427 voter registration information.

428 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any motor  
429 vehicle operator's license number, identity card number or Social

430 Security number on a voter registration record shall be confidential and  
 431 shall not be disclosed to any person.

432 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, if a voter  
 433 submits to the Secretary of the State a signed statement that  
 434 nondisclosure of such voter's name from the official registry list is  
 435 necessary for the safety of such voter or the voter's family, the name and  
 436 address of such voter on his or her voter registration record shall be  
 437 confidential and shall not be disclosed, except that an election, primary  
 438 or referendum official may view such information on the official registry  
 439 list when such list is used by any such official at a polling place on the  
 440 day of an election, primary or referendum. Such signed statement shall  
 441 be sworn under penalty of false statement, as provided in section 53a-  
 442 157b."

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

Section 1	<i>January 1, 2026</i>	9-139a
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2026</i>	9-140(g)
Sec. 3	<i>January 1, 2026</i>	9-140(k)
Sec. 4	<i>January 1, 2026</i>	9-14a
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	9-163aa(b)
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	9-19j(d)
Sec. 7	<i>January 1, 2026</i>	9-261(b)
Sec. 8	<i>January 1, 2026</i>	9-236
Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	New section
Sec. 10	<i>January 1, 2026</i>	New section
Sec. 11	<i>October 1, 2025</i>	9-50d