



General Assembly

**Amendment**

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**"AN ACT STUDYING EFFORTS TO INCREASE VOTER  
PARTICIPATION AND AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL PILOT  
PROGRAMS TO PROMOTE SUCH EFFORTS."**

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

3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (b) of section 9-311 of the general statutes is  
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
5 *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,  
 16 such recanvass officials shall, in the presence of such moderator and  
 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  
 36 the original canvass and the absentee ballot counters shall also sign the  
 37 tallies.

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

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

Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	9-311(b)
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