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PA 25-5—HB 7129 *Government Administration and Elections Committee*

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

SUMMARY: Under existing law, each municipal fiscal authority must authorize payment for any bill incurred for purchasing, leasing, or otherwise acquiring a sufficient number of voting tabulators by a town's board of selectmen, a city's common council, or the warden and burgesses of a borough, whichever is applicable.

This act authorizes the secretary of the state, regardless of this requirement, to purchase approved voting tabulators or tabulator accessories directly from the manufacturer and transfer ownership of them to the municipalities.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage