



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5529

LCO No. 2564



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:
(GAE)

***AN ACT CONCERNING POLL BOOKS FOR THE CHECKING OF
ELECTORS AT ELECTIONS, PRIMARIES AND REFERENDA.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2027*) (a) As used in this section,
2 "election", "referendum", "municipality" and "elector" have the same
3 meanings as provided in section 9-1 of the general statutes; "primary"
4 has the same meaning as provided in section 9-372 of the general
5 statutes; and "party committee", "political committee" and "candidate
6 committee" have the same meanings as provided in section 9-601 of the
7 general statutes.

8 (b) Not later than fourteen days prior to any election, primary or
9 referendum held in a municipality, the registrars of voters of such
10 municipality shall provide notice to each party committee, political
11 committee formed solely to aid or promote the success or defeat of a
12 referendum question and candidate committee of whether the poll
13 books containing the official checklist to be used at such election,
14 primary or referendum for the checking of any elector appearing at the

15 polling place or location designated for the conduct of early voting will
16 be paper-based or electronic.

17 (c) Each registrar of voters who fails to provide notice in accordance
18 with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section shall be fined not
19 less than fifty dollars.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>January 1, 2027</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require registrars of voters to provide to certain committees notice of at least fourteen days prior to any election, primary or referendum of whether electors on the official checklist to be used at such election, primary or referendum will be checked manually on paper or electronically.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]