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To: Subst. House Bill No. 5001

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"AN ACT CONCERNING ABSENTEE VOTING FOR ALL AND VARIOUS OTHER REFORMS RELATED TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF ELECTIONS."

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

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Secretary of the State
4 shall not use the name, image or likeness of any candidate for public
5 office or any elected public official, including the Secretary, in any
6 public awareness campaign developed and conducted by the Secretary
7 of the State, for purposes of educating the public on matters relating to
8 elections or voting, during the ninety-day period immediately prior to
9 a primary or election.

10 (b) The Secretary of the State shall be subject to a maximum penalty
11 of ten thousand dollars for each violation of the provisions of subsection
12 (a) of this section, the payment of which the Secretary shall be personally

13 liable."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	New section