



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 728

LCO No. 1205



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:

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**AN ACT IMPLEMENTING SEVERAL CHANGES CONCERNING THE
ADMINISTRATION OF ELECTIONS.**

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

- 1 That title 9 of the general statutes be amended to (1) require the
- 2 Secretary of the State to submit, not later than October 1, 2023, to the
- 3 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
- 4 matters relating to elections a report on each election law modified by
- 5 executive order of the Governor or pursuant to the Secretary's authority
- 6 under section 9-3 of the general statutes for any election or primary held
- 7 in 2020 or 2021, (2) require any proposed declaratory ruling, instruction,
- 8 opinion or written order of the Secretary to be issued pursuant to said
- 9 section to be submitted to the standing legislative regulation review
- 10 committee for approval, (3) prohibit the unsolicited mailing of absentee
- 11 ballot applications by any state or municipal election official, (4) specify
- 12 that absentee ballots may only be counted on the day of an election, (5)
- 13 establish a task force to study the viability of using a single envelope,

14 instead of two, for the return of an absentee ballot, (6) withdraw the state
15 from the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact, (7) require the
16 Secretary to establish and implement procedures to audit accepted
17 election day registration applications and confirmation notices of such
18 accepted applications sent by and returned to registrars of voters, (8)
19 require the Secretary to establish and implement procedures for
20 auditing statements signed by electors who do not present certain
21 preprinted forms of identification prior to voting at a polling place, and
22 (9) (A) provide that, prior to receiving and being able to cast a ballot at
23 the polling place, each elector shall present to the official checker or
24 checkers a current and valid photo identification, which identification
25 clearly displays such elector's name and residential address, and (B)
26 establish a program for waiving the fee associated with obtaining, for
27 voting purposes, a motor vehicle operator's license, identity card or
28 other government-issued form of photo identification

Statement of Purpose:

To implement several changes concerning the administration of elections.