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"AN ACT CONCERNING VOTING TECHNOLOGY."

1 Strike out everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (a) There is established a commission to study the use of
4 (1) current and alternative voting technologies, including absentee
5 ballot counting technologies, and (2) presidential ballots. The
6 commission shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations
7 in accordance with subsection (g) of this section.

8 (b) The commission shall consist of the following members:

9 (1) One member appointed by the speaker of the House of
10 Representatives;

11 (2) One member appointed by the president pro tempore of the
12 Senate;

13 (3) One member appointed by the majority leader of the House of
14 Representatives;

- 15 (4) One member appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;
- 16 (5) One member appointed by the minority leader of the House of
17 Representatives;
- 18 (6) One member appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;
- 19 (7) One member appointed by the Secretary of the State;
- 20 (8) One member appointed by the State Elections Enforcement
21 Commission;
- 22 (9) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing
23 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
24 relating to elections, or their designees;
- 25 (10) Two members appointed by the Registrars of Voters
26 Association of Connecticut, one of whom shall represent a
27 municipality having a population of seventy-five thousand or more
28 and one of whom shall represent a municipality have a population of
29 less than seventy-five thousand. Said appointees shall be members of
30 different political parties; and
- 31 (11) Two members appointed by the Connecticut Town Clerks
32 Association, one of whom shall represent a municipality having a
33 population of seventy-five thousand or more and one of whom shall
34 represent a municipality have a population of less than seventy-five
35 thousand. Said appointees shall be members of different political
36 parties.
- 37 (c) Any member of the commission appointed or designated under
38 subdivision (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6) or (9) of subsection (b) of this section
39 may be a member of the General Assembly.
- 40 (d) All appointments to the commission shall be made not later than
41 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
42 filled by the appointing authority.

43 (e) The chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General
44 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to elections, or their
45 designees, shall serve as chairpersons of the commission. The
46 chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the commission, which
47 shall be held not later than thirty days after the effective date of this
48 section.

49 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
50 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to elections
51 shall, within the limits of available appropriations, serve as
52 administrative staff of the commission.

53 (g) Not later than February 1, 2002, the commission shall submit a
54 report on its findings and recommendations concerning current and
55 alternative voting technologies to the Secretary of the State and shall
56 submit a copy of said report to the joint standing committee of the
57 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to elections,
58 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general
59 statutes. The report shall recommend: (1) A type or types of voting
60 technology and absentee ballot counting technology for use in all
61 elections, primaries and referenda held in this state pursuant to title 9
62 of the general statutes, (2) a plan for installing or maintaining such
63 technology, (3) a plan for providing necessary training and public
64 information concerning such technology, and (4) a plan to provide
65 grants-in-aid to assist municipalities in installing or maintaining such
66 technology. The commission may not recommend the use of any
67 technology that records votes by means of holes punched in
68 designated voting response locations.

69 (h) Not later than February 1, 2002, the commission shall submit a
70 report on its findings and recommendations concerning presidential
71 ballots to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
72 cognizance of matters relating to elections, in accordance with the
73 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, and shall submit a
74 copy of said report to the Secretary of the State. The report shall make
75 findings and recommendations that address both (1) maintaining the

76 current election day application deadline for presidential ballots,
77 including improvements to current procedures to reduce the burden of
78 said deadline on town clerks and other election officials, and (2)
79 changing the application deadline for presidential ballots to an earlier
80 date, including a determination of the best date to maximize voter
81 participation and facilitate election administration.

82 Sec. 2. (NEW) (a) The same type of voting technology shall be used
83 in all voting districts at all elections, primaries and referenda held
84 pursuant to title 9 of the general statutes and conducted by voting
85 machine, except as provided in subsections (c) and (d) of this section.

86 (b) After receiving the report of the commission under subsection
87 (g) of section 1 of this act, and when appropriate at any time thereafter,
88 the Secretary of the State shall recommend to the General Assembly a
89 type or types of voting technology and absentee ballot counting
90 technology for use in all elections, primaries and referenda held
91 pursuant to title 9 of the general statutes. The General Assembly shall
92 approve or disapprove such technologies after taking into account the
93 Secretary's recommendation. After the General Assembly enacts any
94 legislation approving such technologies, the Secretary may, in
95 accordance with the provisions of section 9-241 of the general statutes,
96 examine and approve a voting machine that uses the technology
97 required by such legislation. The preceding sentence shall not apply to
98 subsections (c) and (d) of this section.

99 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, a
100 municipality may use a new type of voting technology or absentee
101 ballot counting technology on a pilot basis at the general election to be
102 held in November 2001, upon the request of both registrars of voters of
103 the municipality and the approval of the Secretary of the State. The
104 Secretary may, within the limits of available appropriations, provide a
105 grant-in-aid to any such municipality to defray the costs of such pilot
106 use of such technology.

107 (d) The Secretary may approve a new type of absentee ballot

108 counting machine that uses optical scanning technology at any
109 election, primary or referendum. Said approval shall be in accordance
110 with the provisions of sections 9-150d, 9-241 and 9-242 of the general
111 statutes.

112 (e) No voting technology that records votes by means of holes
113 punched in designated voting response locations may be used at any
114 election, primary or referendum held pursuant to title 9 of the general
115 statutes.

116 Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 9-158c of the general statutes is
117 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

118 (a) Not earlier than forty-five days before the election, [and not later
119 than the close of the polls on election day,] each resident, or former
120 resident who desires to vote in a presidential election under sections 9-
121 158a to 9-158m, inclusive, may apply for a "presidential ballot" to the
122 municipal clerk of the town in which [he] the resident or former
123 resident is qualified to vote on the form prescribed in section 9-158d.
124 The application deadline for a "presidential ballot" shall be 12:00 noon
125 on the Friday preceding election day for a resident, and the close of the
126 polls on election day for a former resident. The office of the municipal
127 clerk shall open not later than 9:00 a.m. and close not earlier than 12:00
128 noon on said Friday. Application for a "presidential ballot" may be
129 made in person or absentee, in the manner provided for applying for
130 an absentee ballot under section 9-140, except as provided in said
131 sections 9-158a to 9-158m, inclusive. A resident or former resident
132 applying for a "presidential ballot" in person shall present to the clerk
133 the resident's or former resident's Social Security card or any other
134 preprinted form of identification which shows the name and the
135 address, signature or photograph of the resident or former resident, or
136 otherwise prove the resident's or former resident's identity to the clerk
137 by the testimony under oath of at least one elector or by the
138 presentation of proof satisfactory to the clerk.

139 Sec. 4. Subsection (a) of section 9-158d of the general statutes is

140 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

141 (a) The application for a presidential ballot shall be [a form signed in
142 duplicate by the applicant under penalty of false statement in absentee
143 balloting, which] in the form of an affidavit executed in duplicate, and
144 sworn to or affirmed before an officer authorized to administer oaths,
145 and shall provide substantially as follows:

146 To the Town Clerk of the Town of Connecticut

147 I, the undersigned, [declare under penalty of false statement in
148 absentee balloting] swear or affirm that the following statements are
149 true:

150 1. I am a citizen of the United States.

151 2. I have not forfeited my electoral privileges because of conviction
152 of a disfranchising crime.

153 3. I was born on, and on the day of the next presidential election,
154 I shall be at least 18 years of age. Check and complete 4 or 5, whichever
155 applies:

156 4. RESIDENT. I am a bona fide resident of the above town, to which
157 I am making this application, and I reside at Street. I moved to said
158 town on the day of, 20... Before becoming a resident of said town,
159 I resided at Street, in the Town of County of, State of

160 5. FORMER RESIDENT. I am a former resident of the above town,
161 to which I am making this application, and resided at Street therein.
162 I moved from such town to my present town of residence on the
163 day of, 20.., being within thirty days before the date of the next
164 presidential election, and for that reason I cannot register to vote in
165 said presidential election in my present town of residence. I am now a
166 bona fide resident of the Town of, in the state of, now residing at
167 Street therein.

168 6. I hereby apply for a "presidential ballot" for the election to be held

169 on ..., 20... I have not voted and will not vote otherwise than by this
170 ballot at that election. I am not eligible to vote for electors of President
171 and Vice-President in any other town in Connecticut or in any other
172 state.

173 7. The said ballot is to be given to me personally mailed to me at
174 ... (bona fide mailing address)

175 Dated at ..., this ... day of ... 20...

176 ... (Signature of applicant)

177 Subscribed and sworn to or affirmed before me this ... day of ...
178 20...

179 ... (Signature and title of officer administering oath)

180 The oath administered in connection with any such application may
181 be administered by any officer empowered to administer oaths under
182 section 1-24 or any officer empowered to administer oaths under the
183 laws of any state or by any commissioned officer in the armed forces,
184 or any consul, vice consul or deputy consul representing the United
185 States in a foreign country, and shall be attested by such officer over
186 the officer's signature and title or statement of rank.

187 Sec. 5. Subsection (a) of section 9-158e of the general statutes is
188 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

189 (a) Upon receipt of an application for a presidential ballot under
190 sections 9-158a to 9-158m, inclusive, and after checking the proof of
191 identification presented by an applicant who applies in person, the
192 clerk, if satisfied that the application is proper and that the applicant is
193 qualified to vote under said sections, shall forthwith give or mail to the
194 applicant, as the case may be, a ballot for presidential and vice-
195 presidential electors for use at the election and instructions and
196 envelopes for its return. If the applicant has sworn on the application
197 that the applicant is a Connecticut resident, the clerk shall provide to

198 the applicant an application for admission as an elector under section
199 9-23g and shall notify the applicant that the returned presidential
200 ballot will be counted only if the applicant completes the application
201 for admission as an elector and returns it to the clerk by the close of the
202 polls on election day. At such time the clerks shall also mail a duplicate
203 of the application for a presidential ballot to the appropriate official of
204 (1) the state or the town in this state in which the applicant last resided
205 in the case of an applicant who is a resident, or (2) the state or the town
206 in this state in which the applicant now resides in the case of an
207 applicant who is a former resident.

208 Sec. 6. Section 9-158g of the general statutes is repealed and the
209 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

210 The voter shall sign the certification upon the inner envelope,
211 securely seal it, enclose it in an outer serially-numbered envelope, and
212 return it to the municipal clerk of the town in which [he] the voter is
213 qualified to vote. The clerk shall keep it in [his] the clerk's office until
214 delivered by [him] the clerk to the registrars of voters at the same time
215 and in the same manner as is provided for absentee ballots. If the ballot
216 is returned by a person other than the voter or the United States Postal
217 Service, the person delivering the ballot shall sign [his] the person's
218 name and address and the date and time of its delivery on the outer
219 envelope in the clerk's presence. The ballot, to be cast, shall be returned
220 so that it is received by the town clerk not later than the close of the
221 polls on the day of the election. If the applicant is a Connecticut
222 resident and a completed application for admission as an elector under
223 section 9-23g has not been received by the clerk by the close of the
224 polls on election day, the clerk shall endorse on the face of said outer
225 envelope the word "rejected" and note the reason for said rejection, and
226 the ballot shall not be counted. If the applicant returns the ballot in
227 person, the applicant shall present to the clerk the applicant's Social
228 Security card or any other preprinted form of identification which
229 shows the name and the address, signature or photograph of the
230 applicant, or prove the applicant's identity to the clerk by the
231 testimony under oath of at least one elector or by the presentation of

232 proof satisfactory to the clerk.

233 Sec. 7. Section 9-1 of the general statutes is repealed and the
234 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

235 Except as otherwise provided, the following terms, as used in this
236 title and sections 3-124, 7-5, 7-6, 7-7, 7-17, 7-20, 7-39, 7-157, 7-214, 7-275,
237 7-295, 7-343, 7-407, 8-1, 8-5, 8-19, 10-219, 11-36, 13a-11, 30-10, 30-11, 45a-
238 18, 45a-19 and 51-95 shall have the following meanings:

239 (a) "Ballot label" means that portion of cardboard, paper or other
240 material placed on the front of the voting machine, containing the
241 names of the candidates or a statement of a proposed constitutional
242 amendment or other question or proposition to be voted on;

243 (b) "Board for admission of electors" means the board as composed
244 under subsection (a) of section 9-15a;

245 (c) "Clerical error" means any error in the registry list or enrollment
246 list due to a mistake or an omission on the part of the printer or a
247 mistake or omission made by the registrars or their assistants;

248 (d) "Election" means any electors' meeting at which the electors
249 choose public officials by use of voting machines or by paper ballots as
250 provided in sections 9-271 and 9-272;

251 (e) "Elector" means any person possessing the qualifications
252 prescribed by the constitution and duly admitted to, and entitled to
253 exercise, the privileges of an elector in a town;

254 (f) Repealed by P.A. 77-298, S. 14;

255 (g) "Municipal clerk" means the clerk of a municipality;

256 (h) "Municipal election" means the regularly recurring election held
257 in a municipality at which the electors of the municipality choose
258 public officials of such municipality;

259 (i) "Municipality" means any city, borough or town within the state;

260 (j) "Official ballot" means the official ballot label to be used at an
261 election, or the official paper ballot to be used thereat in accordance
262 with the provisions of sections 9-271 and 9-272;

263 (k) "Population" means the population according to the last-
264 completed United States census;

265 (l) "Presidential electors" means persons elected to cast their ballots
266 for President and Vice President of the United States;

267 (m) "Print" means methods of duplication of words by mechanical
268 process, but shall not include typewriting;

269 (n) "Referendum" means (1) a question or proposal which is
270 submitted to a vote of the electors or voters of a municipality at any
271 regular or special state or municipal election, as defined in this section,
272 (2) a question or proposal which is submitted to a vote of the electors
273 or voters, as the case may be, of a municipality at a meeting of such
274 electors or voters, which meeting is not an election, as defined in
275 subsection (d) of this section, and is not a town meeting, or (3) a
276 question or proposal which is submitted to a vote of the electors or
277 voters, as the case may be, of a municipality at a meeting of such
278 electors or voters pursuant to section 7-7 or pursuant to charter or
279 special act;

280 (o) "Regular election" means any state or municipal election;

281 (p) "Registrars" means the registrars of voters of the municipality;

282 (q) "Registry list" means the list of electors of any municipality
283 certified by the registrars;

284 (r) "Special election" means any election not a regular election;

285 (s) "State election" means the election held in the state on the first
286 Tuesday after the first Monday in November in the even-numbered
287 years in accordance with the provisions of the constitution of
288 Connecticut;

289 (t) "State officers" means the Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
290 Secretary of the State, Treasurer, Comptroller and Attorney General;

291 (u) "Voter" means a person qualified to vote at town and district
292 meetings under the provisions of section 7-6;

293 (v) "Voting district" means any municipality, or any political
294 subdivision thereof, having not more than one polling place in a
295 regular election;

296 (w) "Voting machine" means a machine, including but not limited
297 to, a device which operates by electronic means, for the registering and
298 recording of votes cast at elections, primaries and referenda;

299 (x) "Write-in ballot" means a vote cast for any person whose name
300 does not appear on the official ballot as a candidate for the office for
301 which [his] the person's name is written in;

302 (y) "The last session for admission of electors prior to an election"
303 means the day which is the [fourteenth] eleventh day prior to an
304 election.

305 Sec. 8. Subsection (a) of section 9-17 of the general statutes is
306 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

307 (a) For the purposes of this section, "primary day" means the day
308 that a primary for state, district and municipal offices is being held in
309 accordance with section 9-423, and "election day" means the day of
310 each regular election. (1) The registrars of voters of each town shall
311 hold sessions to examine the qualifications of electors and admit those
312 found qualified on the dates and at the times set forth in this section.
313 Such sessions shall be held on the following days during the hours
314 indicated, except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection:

T1	Day	Hours
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T2	Fourteenth day	
T3	before primary day	any two hours between
T4		5:00 and 9:00 p.m.
T5	Saturday of third week	
T6	before election day ...	10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
T7	Fourteenth day	
T8	before election day ...	9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
T9	<u>Eleventh day</u>	
T10	<u>before election day ...</u>	<u>9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.</u>

315 The session of the registrars of voters on the [fourteenth] eleventh
 316 day before election day shall be the last regular session for the
 317 admission of electors prior to an election, as defined in subsection (y)
 318 of section 9-1. (2) No town having a population of less than twenty-five
 319 thousand persons shall be required to hold sessions for admission of
 320 electors on the fourteenth day before primary day.

321 Sec. 9. Subsections (c) and (d) of section 9-23g of the general statutes
 322 are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

323 (c) Forthwith upon receipt of a registration application in the office
 324 of the registrars of voters, the registrar shall mark such date on the
 325 application and review the application to determine whether the
 326 applicant has properly completed it and is legally qualified to register.
 327 Forthwith upon completing [his] the registrar's review, the registrar
 328 shall (1) indicate on the application whether the application has been
 329 accepted or rejected, (2) mail a notice to the applicant, (3) indicate on
 330 the application the date on which such notice is mailed, and (4)
 331 provide a copy of such notice to the other registrar. If the registrar

332 determines that the applicant has not properly completed the
333 application or is not legally qualified to register, the notice shall
334 indicate that the application has been rejected and shall state the
335 reason for rejection. If the registrar determines that the applicant has
336 properly completed the application and is legally qualified to register,
337 the notice shall indicate that the application has been accepted. A
338 notice of acceptance or a notice of rejection shall be sent (A) within
339 four days of receipt of an application during the period beginning on
340 the forty-ninth day before an election and ending on the twenty-first
341 day before such election, (B) on the day of receipt of an application if it
342 is received (i) during the period beginning on the twentieth day before
343 such election and ending on the [fourteenth] eleventh day before such
344 election, (ii) during the period beginning on the [thirteenth] tenth day
345 before an election and ending on election day if the application has
346 been received by the [fourteenth] eleventh day before an election by
347 the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles or by a voter registration agency,
348 (iii) during the period beginning on the twenty-first day before a
349 primary and ending on the fifth day before a primary, or (iv) during
350 the period beginning on the fourth day before a primary and ending at
351 twelve o'clock noon on the last weekday before a primary, if the
352 application has been postmarked by the fifth day before the primary
353 and is received in the office of the registrars of voters during such
354 period or if the application is received by the fifth day before a primary
355 by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles or by a voter registration
356 agency, and (C) within ten days of receipt of an application at any
357 other time. A notice of acceptance shall be sent by first-class mail with
358 instructions on the envelope that it be returned if not deliverable at the
359 address shown on the envelope. A notice of acceptance shall indicate
360 the effective date of the applicant's registration and enrollment, the
361 date of the next regularly scheduled election or primary in which the
362 applicant shall be eligible to vote and the applicant's precinct and
363 polling place. If a notice of acceptance of an application is returned
364 undelivered, the registrars shall forthwith take the necessary action in
365 accordance with section 9-35 or 9-43, notwithstanding the May first
366 deadline in section 9-35. An applicant for admission as an elector

367 pursuant to this section and section 9-23h may only be admitted as an
368 elector by a registrar of voters of the town of [his] the elector's
369 residence. Not later than December thirty-first, annually, the Secretary
370 of the State shall establish an official calendar of all deadlines set forth
371 in this subsection for regularly scheduled elections and primaries to be
372 held in the following calendar year.

373 (d) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the
374 privileges of an elector for any applicant for admission under this
375 section and section 9-23h shall attach immediately upon approval by
376 the registrar, and the registrars shall enter the name of the elector on
377 the registry list.

378 (2) Except as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection, if a
379 mailed application is postmarked, or if a delivered application is
380 received in the office of the registrars of voters, after the [fourteenth]
381 eleventh day before an election or after the fifth day before a primary,
382 the privileges of an elector shall not attach until the day after such
383 election or primary, as the case may be.

384 (3) If an application is received after the [fourteenth] eleventh day
385 before an election or after the fifth day before a primary by the
386 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles or by a voter registration agency, the
387 privileges of an elector shall not attach until the day after the election
388 or primary, as the case may be, or on the day the registrar approves it,
389 whichever is later.

390 (4) If on the day of an election or primary, the name of an applicant
391 does not appear on the official check list, such applicant may present a
392 notice of acceptance received through the mail to the moderator at the
393 polls, after which the registrar or assistant registrar, upon notice to the
394 registrar, shall add such person's name and address to the official
395 check list on such day and the person shall be allowed to vote if
396 otherwise eligible to vote.

397 Sec. 10. (NEW) (a) As used in sections 10 to 12, inclusive, of this act,
398 "state-wide centralized voter registration system" means a

399 computerized system containing voter registration information
400 prescribed by the Secretary of the State, which includes (1) information
401 contained in applications for admission as electors described in section
402 9-20 of the general statutes, (2) information needed to compile registry
403 lists and enrollment lists under sections 9-35 and 9-54 of the general
404 statutes, (3) information required by section 9-50a of the general
405 statutes, and (4) other information for use in complying with the
406 provisions of title 9 of the general statutes.

407 (b) The Secretary shall, in accordance with the provisions of sections
408 10 to 12, inclusive, of this act, continue to enhance the state-wide
409 centralized voter registration system in existence on the effective date
410 of this section with a web-based system that has an enhanced
411 application allowing for secure, digital communication and
412 transactions between municipalities and the system data base residing
413 with the state.

414 Sec. 11. (NEW) (a) The Secretary of the State and the Chief
415 Information Officer of the Department of Information Technology shall
416 conduct a field test of the enhanced system in fourteen municipalities
417 during the November 2001, municipal elections for the purposes of
418 verifying completion of the enhanced system and measuring its
419 capacity. Not later than September 1, 2001, the Secretary, in
420 consultation with the Registrars of Voters Association of Connecticut,
421 shall select the fourteen municipalities to participate in the test. The
422 Secretary shall ensure that the fourteen municipalities selected
423 represent municipalities in the state having small, medium and large
424 populations. No municipality shall be required to participate in said
425 test unless the registrars of voters of the municipality approve such
426 participation.

427 (b) Not later than November 27, 2001, the registrars of voters of said
428 municipalities shall submit, in writing, to the Secretary of the State a
429 final detailed compilation of all connectivity and related issues
430 reported with the enhanced state-wide centralized voter registration
431 system between September 1, 2001, and November 6, 2001, inclusive.

432 (c) Not later than November 27, 2001, the Chief Information Officer
433 shall submit, in writing, to the Secretary of the State a final detailed
434 report of all (1) connectivity issues, (2) mainframe performance issues,
435 and (3) mainframe capacity issues experienced with the enhanced
436 state-wide centralized voter registration between September 1, 2001,
437 and November 6, 2001, inclusive.

438 (d) Not later than December 31, 2001, the Secretary of the State shall
439 submit to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly
440 having cognizance of matters relating to elections a report on the status
441 of the implementation of the enhanced state-wide centralized voter
442 registration system.

443 Sec. 12. (NEW) (a) There is established a State-Wide Centralized
444 Voter Registration System Advisory Board, consisting of the following
445 members:

446 (1) The president of the Registrars of Voters Association of
447 Connecticut;

448 (2) Four registrars of voters, one each of whom shall be appointed
449 by the president pro tempore of the Senate, the speaker of the House of
450 Representatives, the minority leader of the Senate and the minority
451 leader of the House of Representatives;

452 (3) The Chief Information Officer of the Department of Information
453 Technology, or the officer's designee;

454 (4) The president of the Connecticut Town Clerks Association, Inc.,
455 or the president's designee; and

456 (5) The president of the League of Women Voters of Connecticut, or
457 the president's designee.

458 (b) Not less than four of the registrars designated or appointed
459 under subsection (a) of this section shall be from municipalities that
460 use the state-wide centralized voter registration system. Each board
461 member appointed under subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this

462 section shall serve for a term that is coterminous with the term of the
463 appointing legislator or until said board member's successor is
464 appointed, whichever is longer. The initial appointments or
465 designations to the board shall be made not later than thirty days after
466 the effective date of this section.

467 (c) The president of the Registrars of Voters Association of
468 Connecticut shall schedule, and serve as chairperson at, the first
469 meeting of the board, which shall be held not later than sixty days after
470 the effective date of this section. At said first meeting, the board shall
471 elect one its members to serve as chairperson. Each elected chairperson
472 shall serve for a term of two years.

473 (d) The office of the Secretary of the State shall provide
474 administrative support for the board.

475 (e) The board shall advise the Secretary of the State regarding the
476 implementation and on-going operation of the enhanced state-wide
477 centralized voter registry system.

478 Sec. 13. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001, except that sections 3 to
479 6, inclusive, shall take effect October 1, 2002."