



General Assembly

**Amendment**

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Offered by:  
SEN. DELUCA, 32<sup>nd</sup> Dist.

To: Senate Bill No. 377

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**"AN ACT CONCERNING GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION."**

1 After line 6, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 2. Section 9-241 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2002*):

4 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of this title, the mechanical lever  
5 machine may be used in elections, primaries and referenda held  
6 pursuant to this title. Any other machine may be used if approved by  
7 the Secretary of the State pursuant to subsection (b) of this section,  
8 except that no municipality shall be required to use such approved  
9 machine if the municipality uses the mechanical lever machine.

10 (b) Any person owning or holding an interest in any voting  
11 machine, as defined in subsection (w) of section 9-1, may apply to the  
12 Secretary of the State to examine such machine and report on its  
13 accuracy and efficiency. The Secretary of the State shall examine the  
14 machine and determine whether, in [his] the Secretary's opinion, the  
15 kind of machine so examined meets the requirements of section 9-242

16 and can be used at elections, primaries and referenda [under] held  
17 pursuant to this title. If the Secretary of the State determines that the  
18 machine can be so used, such machine may be adopted for such use.  
19 No machine not so approved, except a mechanical lever machine, shall  
20 be so used. Each application shall be accompanied by a fee of one  
21 hundred dollars and the Secretary of the State shall not [give his  
22 approval] approve of any machine until such fee and the expenses  
23 incurred by [him] the Secretary in making the examination have been  
24 paid by the person making such application. Any voting machine  
25 company [which] that has had its voting machine approved and  
26 [which] that subsequently alters such machine in any way [,] shall  
27 provide the Secretary of the State with notice of such alterations,  
28 including a description thereof and a statement of the purpose of such  
29 alterations. If any such alterations appear to materially affect the  
30 accuracy, appearance or efficiency of the machine, or modify the  
31 machine so that it can no longer be used at elections, primaries or  
32 referenda [under] held pursuant to this title, at the discretion of the  
33 Secretary of the State, the company shall submit such alterations for  
34 inspection and approval, at its own expense, before such altered  
35 machines may be used. The Secretary of the State may adopt  
36 regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 concerning  
37 examination and approval of voting machines under this section.

38 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002*) The Secretary of the State shall,  
39 within available appropriations, provide grants-in-aid and technical  
40 support to municipalities to allow the continued use and maintenance  
41 of mechanical lever voting machines in this state. To be eligible for  
42 such aid or support, a municipality shall apply to the Secretary on such  
43 form as the Secretary prescribes. Grants-in-aid and support shall be  
44 distributed to such municipalities in proportion to the number of  
45 mechanical lever machines owned or maintained by the municipality.  
46 The Secretary may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54 of  
47 the general statutes, to implement this section."