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"AN ACT CONCERNING DIRECT PRIMARIES."

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

3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (a) of section 9-436 of the general statutes is
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
5 *January 1, 2004, and applicable to primaries and elections held on or after*
6 *January 1, 2004*):

7 (a) Voting machines shall be used at each primary, provided, (1) if,
8 because of the number of offices and positions to be voted upon at a
9 primary, there is an insufficient number of vertical columns on any
10 machine to be used in a municipality, the vote in such municipality at
11 such primary for such offices or positions as the Secretary of the State
12 determines shall be taken by paper ballots, and (2) if, because of the
13 number of candidates for any office or position to be voted upon at a
14 primary, there is an insufficient number of horizontal rows with

15 respect to such office or position on any machine to be used in the
16 municipality, the vote in such municipality at such primary for such
17 office or position shall be taken by paper ballots. More than one voting
18 machine may be used in any voting district if the registrar so
19 prescribes. The registrar shall furnish a number of voting machines
20 sufficient to provide a voting machine for each [twelve] twenty-four
21 hundred or fraction of [twelve] twenty-four hundred electors eligible
22 to vote at such primary in the municipality or voting district, as the
23 case may be, and other necessary equipment. In each polling place in
24 which a party has authorized unaffiliated electors, pursuant to section
25 9-431, to vote for some but not all offices to be contested at the
26 primary, a separate voting machine shall be used for such unaffiliated
27 electors and the registrar shall separately furnish one voting machine
28 for each [twelve] twenty-four hundred or fraction of [twelve] twenty-
29 four hundred enrolled party members and one voting machine for
30 each [twelve] twenty-four hundred or fraction of [twelve] twenty-four
31 hundred unaffiliated electors authorized to vote at such primary in
32 such district. In determining such number of electors, enrolled party
33 members or unaffiliated electors, the registrar shall not count the
34 names on the enrollment or registry lists of seventy-five per cent of
35 such electors, unaffiliated electors or enrolled party members who
36 reside in institutions, as defined in section 9-159q. The registrar may
37 provide more than the minimum number of voting machines required
38 by this section."