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"AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN REVISIONS AND TECHNICAL CHANGES TO THE ELECTION LAWS."

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

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Within available
4 appropriations, there is established an Independent Elections Audit
5 Board that shall consist of six members, not more than two of whom
6 shall be members of the same political party and at least one of whom
7 shall not be affiliated with any political party. Of the members first
8 appointed, one shall have verifiable expertise in statistics, be appointed
9 by the minority leader of the House of Representatives and serve for a
10 term of one year from July 1, 2009; one shall have a verifiable elections
11 auditing background, be appointed by the minority leader of the
12 Senate and serve for a term of three years from July 1, 2009; one shall
13 have a detailed knowledge of state election law, be appointed by the

14 speaker of the House of Representatives and serve for a term of one
15 year from July 1, 2009; one shall have an interest in good government,
16 be appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate and serve for
17 a term of three years from July 1, 2009, one shall have expertise in
18 election law, be appointed jointly by the majority leaders of the Senate
19 and the House of Representatives and serve a term of three years; and
20 one shall be appointed by the Governor, provided such member shall
21 not be affiliated with any political party, and shall hold office for a
22 term of four years from July 1, 2009. Thereafter, members shall be
23 appointed for terms of four years from July first in the year of their
24 appointment and shall be appointed by the person holding the same
25 office as was held by the person making the original appointment,
26 provided any person chosen to fill a vacancy shall be appointed only
27 for the unexpired term of the member whom he or she shall succeed.
28 All appointments shall be made with the consent of the state Senate
29 and House of Representatives, provided the initial appointees may
30 serve without confirmation from July 1, 2009, subject to approval at the
31 next regular session of the General Assembly. No person, who has
32 served within the previous three years as a public official, other than a
33 member of the State Elections Enforcement Commission, or who has
34 served within the previous three years as a political party officer, shall
35 be appointed to membership on the board. For purposes of this
36 subsection, (1) "public official" means an individual who holds or has
37 held a state, district or municipal office, as defined in section 9-372 of
38 the general statutes, but shall not include a justice of the peace or a
39 notary public, and (2) "political party officer" means an officer or
40 member of a national committee of a political party, or a state central
41 or town committee, or any person employed by any such committee
42 for compensation. The board shall elect one of its members to serve as
43 chairperson and another member to serve as vice-chairperson. Each
44 member of the board shall be compensated at the rate of two hundred
45 dollars per day for any day on which the member participates in a
46 regular board meeting, and shall be paid by the state for his or her
47 reasonable expenses, including necessary stenographic and clerical
48 help.

49 (b) The board may, subject to the provisions of chapter 67 of the
50 general statutes, employ such employees as may be necessary to carry
51 out the provisions of this section.

52 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 5-266a and 5-266b of
53 the general statutes, no member or employee of the board shall (1) be a
54 candidate in any primary or election, (2) hold any elected public office,
55 (3) be a political party officer, as defined in subsection (a) of this
56 section, or (4) hold any office of any committee, as defined in section 9-
57 601 of the general statutes. The members and employees of the board
58 shall otherwise be subject to the provisions of sections 5-266a and 5-
59 266b of the general statutes.

60 (d) The board shall be within the State Elections Enforcement
61 Commission for administrative purposes only.

62 (e) Not later than December 1, 2009, the board shall develop
63 standards and procedures for conducting audits of elections and
64 primaries. In developing such standards and procedures, the board
65 shall be cognizant of the current level of science utilized in the area of
66 election auditing. Additionally, subject to any other provisions of law,
67 such standards and procedures shall enable any such audit to
68 commence within forty-eight hours of the time when state election
69 officials announce the final unofficial vote in each district in which
70 votes are cast in the election that is the subject of such audit. On or
71 before January 1, 2010, such standards and procedures shall be
72 presented to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly
73 having cognizance of matters relating to elections in addition to any
74 board recommendations for the repeal or amendment of existing audit
75 standards or procedures. Any audit standards and procedures
76 developed by the board pursuant to this subsection shall require
77 approval by the General Assembly and shall take effect not sooner
78 than December 31, 2010.

79 Sec. 502. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) On and after October 1, 2009,
80 the Secretary of the State shall select an entity that shall be responsible

81 for the election-specific programming of any hardware, including all
82 memory cards and voting tabulators used in any optical scan voting
83 system utilized in the state. Concomitantly, the Secretary of the State
84 shall select a separate entity that shall be responsible for the testing of
85 such memory cards: (1) After such programming but prior to shipment
86 to registrars of voters, and (2) after the applicable election. Such testing
87 entity shall be located within the state. The Secretary of the State shall
88 implement procedures for the secure transport of such memory cards
89 to and from the entities described in this section.

90 Sec. 503. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding any
91 provision of the general statutes, the Secretary of the State may
92 authorize such registrar of voters to have printed a number of ballots
93 less than one hundred per cent of the number of electors on the last
94 completed enrollment list if the secretary determines such lesser
95 number will adequately accommodate the anticipated number of
96 voters for such election.

97 Sec. 504. Section 9-168d of the general statutes is repealed and the
98 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

99 (a) On or before July 1, 1980, each polling place shall be made
100 accessible to and usable by physically disabled persons by complying
101 with the following standards of accessibility: (1) Doors, entrances, and
102 exits used to gain access to or egress from the polling place shall have a
103 minimum width of thirty-one inches; (2) temporary ramps shall be
104 made available or curb cuts provided where necessary for accessibility
105 to the entrance; (3) any stairs necessarily used to enter the polling place
106 shall have a temporary handrail and ramp; (4) in the polling place, no
107 barrier shall impede the path of the physically disabled to the voting
108 booth.

109 (b) The registrars of voters in each town, or the legislative body of
110 the town, shall select as polling places only those sites which meet the
111 standards of accessibility required under the State Building Code, as
112 revised pursuant to section 29-269, if applicable, or this section. The

113 registrars of voters in each town shall file with the Secretary of the
114 State either: (1) A certification, as prescribed by the Secretary of the
115 State, that states that each polling place selected complies with the
116 provisions set forth in this subsection, or (2) an application for waiver,
117 as described in subsection (c) of this section.

118 (c) The registrars or such legislative body may select a site not
119 meeting such standards if no available site within the voting district or
120 town can reasonably be made accessible if an application for waiver is
121 filed with the Secretary of the State and approved by the Office of
122 Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities. An application
123 for waiver shall be filed at least sixty days prior to the date on which
124 the primary or election will be held. The Secretary of the State shall,
125 within seven days after receipt of any such application, refer the
126 application to said office of protection and advocacy. Said office shall,
127 within thirty days, review the application and inform the Secretary of
128 the State of its approval or disapproval. The Secretary of the State shall
129 notify the applicant for waiver of such approval or disapproval within
130 seven days after the secretary is so informed.

131 (d) Not later than sixty days prior to any election, each registrar of
132 voters shall file with the Secretary of the State an informal diagram of
133 the polling place to assure privacy and accessibility for voters. Such
134 layout shall create a zone of privacy for such voters. In the event that
135 the Secretary of the State rejects such plan and layout, the secretary
136 may approve a waiver from such requirement. Any such plan and
137 layout shall be subject to change on the day of any such election in the
138 event of an emergency, provided such registrar of voters shall certify,
139 in writing, to the secretary the nature of such emergency.

140 Sec. 505. Subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of section 9-7b of
141 the general statutes, as amended by section 1 of public act 08-2, are
142 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
143 *passage*):

144 (1) To make investigations on its own initiative or with respect to

145 statements filed with the commission by the Secretary of the State or
146 any town clerk, or upon written complaint under oath by any
147 individual, with respect to alleged violations of any provision of the
148 general statutes relating to any election or referendum, any primary
149 held pursuant to section 9-423, 9-425 or 9-464 of the 2008 supplement
150 to the general statutes or any primary held pursuant to a special act, or
151 with respect to alleged violations of regulations, written rulings or
152 opinions of the Secretary of the State that concern the administration of
153 any such election or primary and to hold hearings when the
154 commission deems necessary to investigate violations of any
155 provisions of the general statutes, or Secretary's regulations, rulings or
156 opinions relating to any such election, primary or referendum, and for
157 the purpose of such hearings the commission may administer oaths,
158 examine witnesses and receive oral and documentary evidence, and
159 shall have the power to subpoena witnesses under procedural rules the
160 commission shall adopt, to compel their attendance and to require the
161 production for examination of any books and papers which the
162 commission deems relevant to any matter under investigation or in
163 question. In connection with its investigation of any alleged violation
164 of any provision of chapter 145, or of any provision of section 9-359 or
165 section 9-359a, the commission shall also have the power to subpoena
166 any municipal clerk and to require the production for examination of
167 any absentee ballot, inner and outer envelope from which any such
168 ballot has been removed, depository envelope containing any such
169 ballot or inner or outer envelope as provided in sections 9-150a and 9-
170 150b and any other record, form or document as provided in section 9-
171 150b, in connection with the election, primary or referendum to which
172 the investigation relates. In case of a refusal to comply with any
173 subpoena issued pursuant to this subsection or to testify with respect
174 to any matter upon which that person may be lawfully interrogated,
175 the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford, on application of
176 the commission, may issue an order requiring such person to comply
177 with such subpoena and to testify; failure to obey any such order of the
178 court may be punished by the court as a contempt thereof. In any
179 matter under investigation which concerns the operation or inspection

180 of or outcome recorded on any voting [machine] tabulator or memory
181 card, the commission may issue an order to the [municipal clerk]
182 registrars of voters to impound such [machine] tabulator or memory
183 card until the investigation is completed;

184 (2) To levy a civil penalty not to exceed (A) two thousand dollars
185 per offense against any person the commission finds to be in violation
186 of any provision of chapter 145, part V of chapter 146, part I of chapter
187 147, chapter 148, section 7-9, section 9-12 of the 2008 supplement to the
188 general statutes, subsection (a) of section 9-17 of the 2008 supplement
189 to the general statutes, section 9-19b, 9-19e, 9-19g, 9-19h, 9-19i, 9-20, 9-
190 21, 9-23a, 9-23g of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, 9-23h, 9-
191 23j to 9-23o, inclusive, 9-23r, 9-26, 9-31a, 9-32, 9-35, 9-35b, 9-35c, 9-40a,
192 9-42, 9-43, 9-50a, 9-56, 9-59 of the 2008 supplement to the general
193 statutes, 9-168d, 9-170, 9-171, 9-172, 9-232i to 9-232o, inclusive, 9-404a
194 to 9-404c, inclusive, 9-409, 9-410, 9-412, 9-436, 9-436a, 9-453e to 9-453h,
195 inclusive, 9-453k or 9-453o, or any regulation adopted pursuant to said
196 chapters or sections by the Secretary of the State, (B) two thousand
197 dollars per offense against any town clerk, registrar of voters, an
198 appointee or designee of a town clerk or registrar of voters, or any
199 other election or primary official whom the commission finds to have
200 failed to discharge a duty imposed by any provision of chapter 146 or
201 147 or any regulation adopted by the Secretary of the State pursuant to
202 such chapters, provided the commission shall consider it an
203 aggravating factor that the Secretary directed such clerk, registrar,
204 appointee or designee thereof or election or primary official to take
205 such action or refrain from doing so and such person failed to comply
206 with such directive, (C) two thousand dollars per offense against any
207 person the commission finds to have (i) improperly voted in any
208 election, primary or referendum, and (ii) not been legally qualified to
209 vote in such election, primary or referendum, or (D) two thousand
210 dollars per offense or twice the amount of any improper payment or
211 contribution, whichever is greater, against any person the commission
212 finds to be in violation of any provision of chapter 155 or [sections 9-
213 700 to 9-716, inclusive] 157. The commission may levy a civil penalty

214 against any person under subparagraph (A), (B), (C) or (D) of this
215 subdivision only after giving the person an opportunity to be heard at
216 a hearing conducted in accordance with sections 4-176e to 4-184,
217 inclusive. In the case of failure to pay any such penalty levied pursuant
218 to this subsection within thirty days of written notice sent by certified
219 or registered mail to such person, the superior court for the judicial
220 district of Hartford, on application of the commission, may issue an
221 order requiring such person to pay the penalty imposed and such
222 court costs, state marshal's fees and attorney's fees incurred by the
223 commission as the court may determine. Any civil penalties paid,
224 collected or recovered under subparagraph (D) of this subdivision for
225 a violation of any provision of chapter 155 applying to the office of the
226 Treasurer shall be deposited on a pro rata basis in any trust funds, as
227 defined in section 3-13c, affected by such violation.

228 Sec. 506. Section 9-229a of the 2008 supplement to the general
229 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
230 (*Effective from passage*):

231 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the
232 Secretary of the State, upon receipt of a written request from a certified
233 candidate in any election or primary that is received by the Secretary
234 of the State not later than thirty days prior to such primary or election,
235 and after consultation with the registrars of voters, shall appoint
236 election or primary day polling place observers as requested who shall
237 be electors of the state, including without limitation an observer who
238 accompanies and observes the election or primary moderator. Such
239 polling place observers shall record the names and other identifying
240 information of individuals involved in any irregularities or violations
241 and report this information to the Secretary of the State or the
242 Secretary's designee who shall forward all such information to the
243 State Elections Enforcement Commission and all candidates whose
244 names appear on the ballot. During any such primary or election,
245 observers shall immediately report any irregularities or violations of
246 law and the names and other identifying information of any electors
247 who are not allowed to vote to the Secretary of the State, or the

248 Secretary's designee, who shall inform the relevant registrar of voters
249 and the moderator and require immediate and appropriate corrective
250 action.

251 (b) The Secretary of the State shall establish suitable duties,
252 responsibilities and a curriculum, training program and certification
253 process for such polling place observers. Such training program and
254 certification process shall include, without limitation, procedures for
255 counting and recording absentee ballots, the use of voting machines,
256 voting when a name does not appear on a voting list and the duties of
257 a moderator in the conduct of a primary and election. Once certified,
258 the Secretary shall assign each polling place observer to a specific
259 polling place or polling places. Once assigned, the polling place
260 observer shall have the ability to enter and leave the assigned polling
261 places at any time during election or primary day. If at any such time
262 an observer becomes disruptive to the orderly process of voting, the
263 moderator shall have the ability to remove such observers from the
264 polling place. No candidate or member of the immediate family of a
265 candidate shall be appointed as a polling place observer for a polling
266 place on which such candidate may appear on the ballot.

267 (c) Any observer who wilfully, knowingly or recklessly interferes
268 with the orderly process of voting shall be subject to the provisions of
269 section 9-366.

270 (d) The Secretary may adopt regulations, pursuant to chapter 54, to
271 administer the program established pursuant to this section.

272 (e) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the
273 registrars of voters of each municipality may appoint additional
274 election officials on the day of, or on any day after, an election or
275 primary, if, in the opinion of both registrars of voters, additional
276 election officials are needed because (1) an election official appointed
277 prior to the day of the election or primary is unable to serve as an
278 election official for any reason, (2) it is necessary to accommodate the
279 public convenience of the electors in any voting district, or (3) it is

280 necessary to improve the administration of the election or primary.
281 The registrars of voters shall file a written opinion with the municipal
282 clerk indicating the reasons for the appointment of any such additional
283 election officials. The registrars of voters shall provide certified
284 candidates in any such primary or election with the reason for
285 appointment of any such additional election officials.

286 (f) Not later than September 1, 2007, the Secretary of the State shall
287 establish a code of ethics for polling place observers, registrars of
288 voters and poll workers. Such code of ethics shall be conspicuously
289 posted in each polling place and in the office of the registrars of voters.

290 (g) The Secretary of the State may establish a training program for
291 instruction on such code of ethics and a training program concerning
292 accessibility of polling places by persons with disabilities.

293 Sec. 507. Subsection (a) of section 9-261 of the 2008 supplement to
294 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
295 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

296 (a) In each primary, election or referendum, when an elector has
297 entered the polling place, the elector shall announce the elector's street
298 address, if any, and the elector's name to the official checkers in a tone
299 sufficiently loud and clear as to enable all the election officials present
300 to hear the same. Each elector who registered to vote by mail for the
301 first time on or after January 1, 2003, and has a "mark" next to the
302 elector's name on the official registry list, as required by section 9-23r,
303 shall present to the official checkers, before the elector votes, either a
304 current and valid photo identification that shows the elector's name
305 and address or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement,
306 government check, paycheck or other government document that
307 shows the name and address of the elector. Each other elector shall (1)
308 present to the official checkers the elector's Social Security card or any
309 other preprinted form of identification which shows the elector's name
310 and either the elector's address, signature or photograph, or (2) on a
311 form prescribed by the Secretary of the State, write the elector's

312 residential address and date of birth, print the elector's name and sign
313 a statement under penalty of false statement that the elector is the
314 elector whose name appears on the official checklist. Such form shall
315 clearly state the penalty of false statement. A separate such form shall
316 be used for each elector. If the elector presents a preprinted form of
317 identification under subdivision (1) of this subsection, the official
318 checkers shall check the name of such elector on the official checklist in
319 ink. If the elector completes the form under subdivision (2) of this
320 subsection, the registrar of voters or the assistant registrar of voters, as
321 the case may be, shall examine the information on such form and
322 either instruct the official checkers to check the name of such elector on
323 the official checklist or notify the elector that the form is incomplete or
324 inaccurate.

325 Sec. 508. Section 9-310 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes
326 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
327 *from passage*):

328 As soon as the count is completed and the moderator's return
329 required under section 9-259 has been executed, the moderator shall
330 place all ballots in a tamper evident bag or bags and seal such bags.
331 Such bags shall remain sealed for a period of time until the Secretary of
332 the State determines such sealing is no longer needed for the purpose
333 of conducting any recanvass, audit or audit investigation, except as
334 provided in section 9-311 or pursuant to an order issued by the State
335 Elections Enforcement Commission. As soon as the count is completed
336 and the moderator's return required under the provisions of section 9-
337 259 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes has been executed,
338 the moderator shall place the sealed tabulator with the sealed memory
339 card in the tabulator bag, and so seal the bag, and the tabulator shall
340 remain so sealed against voting or being tampered with for a period of
341 [fourteen days] time until the Secretary of the State determines that
342 such sealing is no longer needed for the purposes of conducting any
343 recanvass audit or audit investigation, except as provided in section 9-
344 311, as needed to conduct a recanvass, audit or audit investigation, or
345 pursuant to an order issued by the State Elections Enforcement

346 Commission. If it is determined that a recanvass is required pursuant
347 to section 9-311 or 9-311a, as amended by this act, immediately upon
348 such determination the tabulators, write-in ballots, absentee ballots,
349 moderators' returns and all other notes, worksheets or written
350 materials used at the election shall be impounded at the direction of
351 the Secretary of the State. Such package shall be preserved for one
352 hundred eighty days after such election and may be opened and its
353 contents examined in accordance with section 9-311 or upon an order
354 of a court of competent jurisdiction. At the end of one hundred eighty
355 days, unless otherwise ordered by the court, such package and its
356 contents may be destroyed. Any person who unlocks the voting or
357 operating mechanism of the tabulator or the counting compartment
358 after it has been locked as above directed or breaks or destroys or
359 tampers with [the] any seal after it has been affixed as above directed
360 or changes the indication of the counters on any voting tabulator
361 within [fourteen days] such period after the election or within any
362 longer period during which the tabulator is kept locked or ballots are
363 sealed as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or by the State
364 Elections Enforcement Commission in any special case, except as
365 provided in section 9-311, shall be imprisoned for not more than five
366 years. Any tabulator may be released in less than [fourteen days] such
367 period, for use in another election, by order of a court, if there is no
368 disagreement as to the returns from such machine and no order
369 directing impoundment has been issued by the State Elections
370 Enforcement Commission and it is not needed for an audit or an audit
371 investigation.

372 Sec. 509. Section 9-311a of the general statutes is repealed and the
373 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

374 For purposes of this section, state, district and municipal offices
375 shall be as defined in section 9-372 except that the office of presidential
376 elector shall be deemed a state office. Forthwith after a regular or
377 special election for municipal office, or forthwith upon tabulation of
378 the vote for state and district offices by the Secretary of the State, when
379 at any such election the plurality of an elected candidate for an office

380 over the vote for a defeated candidate receiving the next highest
381 number of votes was either (1) less than a vote equivalent to [one-half
382 of] one per cent of the total number of votes cast for the office but not
383 more than two thousand votes, or (2) less than twenty votes, there
384 shall be a recanvass of the returns of the voting machine or voting
385 machines and absentee ballots used in such election for such office
386 unless such defeated candidate or defeated candidates, as the case may
387 be, for such office file a written statement waiving this right to such
388 canvass with the municipal clerk in the case of a municipal office, or
389 with the Secretary of the State in the case of a state or district office. In
390 the case of state and district offices, the Secretary of the State upon
391 tabulation of the votes for such offices shall notify the town clerks in
392 the state or district, as the case may be, of the state and district offices
393 which qualify for an automatic recanvass and shall also notify each
394 candidate for any such office. When a recanvass is to be held the
395 municipal clerk shall promptly notify the moderator, as defined in
396 section 9-311, who shall proceed forthwith to cause a recanvass of such
397 returns of the office in question in the same manner as is provided in
398 said section 9-311. In addition to the notice required under section 9-
399 311, the moderator shall before such recanvass is made give notice in
400 writing of the time when, and place where, such recanvass is to be
401 made to each candidate for a municipal office which qualifies for an
402 automatic recanvass under this section. Nothing in this section shall
403 preclude the right to judicial proceedings on behalf of a candidate
404 under any provision of chapter 149. For the purposes of this section,
405 "the total number of votes cast for the office" means in the case of
406 multiple openings for the same office, the total number of electors
407 checked as having voted in the state, district, municipality or political
408 subdivision, as the case may be. When a recanvass of the returns for an
409 office for which there are multiple openings is required by the
410 provisions of this section, the returns for all candidates for all openings
411 for the office shall be recanvassed. No one other than a recanvass
412 official shall take part in the recanvass. If any irregularity in the
413 recanvass procedure is noted by a candidate, he shall be permitted to
414 present evidence of such irregularity in any contest relating to the

415 election.

416 Sec. 510. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding any
417 provision of the general statutes, the Secretary of the State shall
418 establish a certification program for registrars of voters. Each such
419 registrar of voters shall be certified pursuant to such program not later
420 than December 31, 2010. Not later than January 1, 2009, the Secretary of
421 the State shall report to the joint standing committee of the General
422 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to elections on the
423 establishment of such program, including, but not limited to, the
424 availability of state or federal funds for such program. At the time of
425 such report, the Secretary of the State shall also report on the efforts
426 made to increase public education on the optical scan voting system.

427 Sec. 511. Section 9-438 of the general statutes is repealed and the
428 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

429 (a) In each municipality or voting district, the polling places for
430 primaries held under sections 9-382 to 9-450, inclusive, shall be the
431 same as those used for the election to be held unless such municipality
432 makes a change to such polling places pursuant to subsection (b) of
433 this section. When unaffiliated electors are authorized under section 9-
434 431 to vote in the primary of either of two parties, both parties shall
435 hold their primaries in the same room of each such polling place. On
436 the day of the primary, the polls shall remain open for voting from six
437 o'clock a.m. until eight o'clock p.m.

438 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,
439 each municipality may, by a vote of its legislative body, alter the
440 number of polling locations used for primaries held under section 9-
441 382 to 9-450, inclusive. Any such change shall be made not later than
442 thirty-one days before such primary and shall only become effective if
443 proper notice is sent to all voters affected by such change not later than
444 fifteen days prior to any such primary. Such notice shall include
445 information about where the voter shall appear to vote for such
446 primary and where the voter shall appear to vote at the election

447 following such primary. For the purposes of this section, "legislative
448 body" shall mean the board of selectmen for any town with a town
449 meeting form of government.

450 Sec. 512. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding any
451 provision of the general statutes, two election officials of different
452 parties shall arrive where the ballots and tabulators have been stored
453 to receive the tabulator and a number of ballots sufficient for three
454 hours operation for their polling place from the registrars of voters, if
455 such ballots have not already been delivered to the polling place.
456 Nothing in this section shall prevent the election officials from
457 employing individuals who are not sworn election officials to assist in
458 the transportation of the voting tabulators and ballots as long as such
459 individuals are accompanied by and under the direct supervision of
460 the two election officials."