



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5825**

LCO No. 1411

Referred to Committee on Government Administration and  
Elections

Introduced by:  
REP. O'BRIEN, 24th Dist.  
(By Request)

***AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NO-FAULT PROVISIONAL BALLOT LAW.***

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

1 That the general statutes be amended to establish a no-fault  
2 provisional ballot law such that: (1) Provisional ballots shall allow  
3 voters to vote for all offices for which they are eligible to vote, (2)  
4 voters may vote if they are not on the voter list, if they show proper  
5 identification demonstrating that they live in the voting district where  
6 they are present to vote and certify that they are citizens, (3) in  
7 determining whether to count the votes cast on the no-fault  
8 provisional ballot, the standard for allowing the votes to count would  
9 only be that the voter was eligible to be a voter, and (4) if it is found  
10 that a voter casting a no-fault provisional ballot voted in a voting  
11 district other than the one in which the voter was eligible to vote, the  
12 voters' votes are only counted for the district or municipal offices for  
13 representing the jurisdiction in which the voter resides.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To change the provisional ballot system to a no-fault provisional ballot system in order to ensure that a person's vote will always be counted if that person is eligible to be a voter.