



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 911

LCO No. 3271

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Referred to Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Introduced by:
(GAE)

AN ACT CONCERNING VOTERS WHO CHANGE PARTY AFFILIATION.

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

1 Section 1. Section 9-59 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 Any elector whose name appears on any enrollment list or who has
4 made application for enrollment may, at any time, make a written
5 application, on an application form for admission as an elector, which
6 shall be signed by such elector, to either registrar for erasure of his
7 name from such list or for transfer of his name to the enrollment list of
8 another party. If an elector makes an application for erasure, his name
9 shall be erased from said enrollment list and, if a municipality is
10 having a primary in which unaffiliated electors are authorized to vote,
11 under section 9-431, such elector's name shall be placed on the list of
12 unaffiliated electors together with the date he is eligible to vote in a
13 primary. If an elector makes an application for transfer, his name shall
14 be transferred to the enrollment list of another party, together with the
15 effective date of such transfer. Any elector whose name has been

16 transferred from one enrollment list to another or who has applied for
17 erasure or transfer of his name from an enrollment list shall not be
18 entitled to participate or vote in a caucus or primary of [any] the party
19 to which transfer was made or applied for, participate in the
20 appointment of members to any board or commission that is political
21 in nature, be appointed as a member of any board or commission that
22 is political in nature or be entitled to the privileges accompanying
23 enrollment in [any] the party to which transfer was made or applied
24 for, for a period of [three months] one month from the date of the filing
25 of his application for transfer or for erasure. Any elector who removes
26 his name from the registry list and from an enrollment list in
27 accordance with the provisions of section 9-35b shall not be entitled to
28 enroll in any political party or vote in any primary for three months
29 after such removal. The registrars of voters shall state, on the notice of
30 acceptance sent under sections 9-23g, 9-19b and 9-19e, the date
31 enrollment privileges for the party of transfer shall take effect, if
32 delayed.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	9-59

GAE *Joint Favorable*