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**Amendment**

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(As Amended)

**"AN ACT CONCERNING POLLING PLACES FOR PRIMARIES."**

1 Strike subsection (b) of section 1 in its entirety and insert the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "(b) The registrars of voters of a municipality may reduce the  
4 number of polling places required under subsection (a) of this section  
5 and shall designate such polling place or places not later than sixty  
6 days prior to a primary held under sections 9-382 to 9-450, inclusive,  
7 the location of which may be the same or different than of those  
8 polling places required under subsection (a) of this section. Not earlier  
9 than sixty days prior to such primary, but not later than forty-five days  
10 prior to such primary, the registrars of voters shall notify the Secretary  
11 of the State and the candidates seeking nomination to an office in such  
12 primary of the change in the polling place or places. If such a  
13 candidate objects to a change in the polling place or places, the  
14 candidate shall notify the Secretary of such objection not later than

15 four o'clock p.m. on the thirtieth day prior to the primary. Such  
16 notification from the candidate shall be in the form of a written letter,  
17 signed by the candidate, and shall be held confidential by the  
18 Secretary. The Secretary shall promptly notify such registrars of voters  
19 and any candidate seeking nomination to an office in such primary  
20 that the Secretary has received a letter of objection, which notification  
21 shall not identify the candidate who objected. If such a candidate so  
22 objects, or if a municipality's registrars of voters cannot agree upon a  
23 polling place or places for a primary, the polling place or places shall  
24 be the same as those used for the election to be held. Not later than  
25 twenty-one days prior to a primary, the registrars of voters shall send  
26 notification of the polling place for the primary, by mail, to each elector  
27 whose polling place for the primary will be different than the elector's  
28 polling place for the election, except that no registrar of voters shall be  
29 required to so notify an elector for any subsequent primary, provided  
30 the primary polling place for such elector remains the same as that  
31 which was provided for in the initial notification. If any polling place  
32 that would otherwise be open pursuant to subsection (a) of this section  
33 is closed pursuant to this subsection, the registrars of voters shall  
34 ensure that a sign is posted at such polling place providing electors  
35 with information to redirect the electors to the open polling place or  
36 places for the primary. When unaffiliated electors are authorized  
37 under section 9-431 to vote in the primary of either of two parties, both  
38 parties shall hold their primaries in the same room of each such polling  
39 place. Notwithstanding any provision of title 7 or this title, any special  
40 act, charter or ordinance, if the number of polling places are reduced  
41 pursuant to the provisions of this subsection, the number of  
42 moderators required for such primary may be reduced, if the registrars  
43 of voters so agree, provided at least one certified moderator serves  
44 each polling place."