



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 409

LCO No. 1922



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:
(GAE)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRIMARY DATE FOR OFFICES TO BE
VOTED UPON AT CERTAIN MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 9-423 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

3 (a) The primaries of all parties for nomination to an office to be
4 voted upon at a state election, or a municipal election held in
5 November, shall be held on the second Tuesday in August in the year
6 in which such [state] election is held.

7 (b) The primaries of all parties for nomination to an office to be
8 voted upon at a municipal election held in May shall be held on the
9 fifty-sixth day preceding the day of [the] such election.

10 Sec. 2. Section 9-376 of the general statutes is repealed and the
11 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

12 (a) [(1)] If the day fixed for any primary falls on [a Sunday or] a

13 legal holiday or on a day on which the tenets of a religion forbid
14 secular activity, the primary shall be held on the next succeeding day
15 other than [a Sunday or] a legal or such religious holiday. [(2) If the
16 day fixed for any primary falls on the Tuesday immediately following
17 Labor Day, the primary shall be held on the next succeeding Tuesday.]

18 (b) If a primary is held on a day prescribed by [subdivision (1) of]
19 subsection (a) of this section, the day of the primary shall be
20 considered to be the day on which such primary would have been held
21 except for [subdivision (1) of] said subsection, for all other purposes
22 including the calculation of any period of time having reference to
23 such primary, except that the calculation of any deadline relating to a
24 person becoming eligible to vote in such primary shall be made from
25 the day on which the primary is actually held.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2018</i>	9-423
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2018</i>	9-376

Statement of Purpose:

To require, in municipalities that hold municipal elections on the Tuesday after the first Monday of November in the odd-numbered years, that any primary for any office to be voted upon at such election be held on the second Tuesday in August in such year.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]