

**Proposed Substitute  
Bill No. 411**

LCO No. 3151

**AN ACT EXTENDING THE HOURS OF ELECTION DAY  
REGISTRATION.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 9-174 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of any general statute, special  
4 act or municipal charter to the contrary, at any regular election, or at  
5 any special election held to fill a vacancy in a state, district or  
6 municipal office, the polls shall remain open for voting from six o'clock  
7 a.m. until eight o'clock p.m. No elector shall be permitted to cast his  
8 vote after the hour prescribed for the closing of the polls in any  
9 election unless such elector is in line at eight o'clock p.m. An election  
10 official or a police official of the municipality, who is designated by the  
11 moderator, shall be placed at the end of the line at eight o'clock p.m.  
12 Such official shall not allow any electors who were not in such line at  
13 eight o'clock p.m. to enter such line.

14 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of any general statute, special  
15 act or municipal charter to the contrary, at any regular election, the  
16 location designated for election day registration pursuant to  
17 subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 9-19j shall remain open for  
18 election day registration and voting from six o'clock a.m. until eight  
19 o'clock p.m. An applicant for election day registration shall only be  
20 admitted as an elector and permitted to cast such applicant's vote after  
21 the hour prescribed for the closing of the location designated for such

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22 purposes in any regular election if such applicant is in line at eight  
23 o'clock p.m., except that no such applicant shall be admitted as an  
24 elector or permitted to cast such applicant's vote later than nine  
25 o'clock p.m. An election official or a police official of the municipality,  
26 who is appointed by the registrars of voters, shall be placed at the end  
27 of the line at eight o'clock p.m. Such official shall not allow any  
28 applicants for election day registration who were not in such line at  
29 eight o'clock p.m. to enter such line.

30 Sec. 2. Subsection (d) of section 9-19j of the general statutes is  
31 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
32 *passage*):

33 (d) Any person applying to register on election day under the  
34 provisions of subsections (a) to (i), inclusive, of this section shall make  
35 application in accordance with the provisions of section 9-20, provided  
36 (1) on election day, the applicant shall appear in person not later than  
37 eight o'clock p.m., in accordance with subsection (b) of section 9-174, as  
38 amended by this act, at the location designated by the registrars of  
39 voters for election day registration and shall not be admitted as an  
40 elector or permitted to cast such applicant's vote later than nine o'clock  
41 p.m., in accordance with said subsection, (2) an applicant who is a  
42 student enrolled at an institution of higher education may submit a  
43 current photo identification card issued by [said] such institution in  
44 lieu of the identification required by section 9-20, and (3) the applicant  
45 shall declare under oath that the applicant has not previously voted in  
46 the election. If the information that the applicant is required to provide  
47 under section 9-20 and subsections (a) to (i), inclusive, of this section  
48 does not include proof of the applicant's residential address, the  
49 applicant shall also submit identification that shows the applicant's  
50 bona fide residence address, including, but not limited to, a learner's  
51 permit issued under section 14-36 or a utility bill that has the  
52 applicant's name and current address and that has a due date that is  
53 not later than thirty days after the election or, in the case of a student  
54 enrolled at an institution of higher education, a registration or fee

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55 statement from such institution that has the applicant's name and  
56 current address.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	9-174
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	9-19j(d)