

**Government Administration and Elections Committee
JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT**

Bill No.: HB-7322

Title: AN ACT CONCERNING BALLOT DESIGN.

Vote Date: 3/29/2019

Vote Action: Joint Favorable

PH Date: 3/13/2019

File No.:

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

Government Administration and Elections Committee

REASONS FOR BILL:

This bill would bring uniformity to the way ballots are designed. It would provide more oversight by the Secretary of the State's office to ensure clarity in the printing of ballots from town to town.

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

Denise Merrill, Secretary of the State, The Secretary of the State of Connecticut:

Testified in favor of HB 7322, highlighting two reasons of improvement from the 2018 elections. The first reason is consistency from town to town in the approval of ballot design. The second reason would address the timeframe in which candidates can be placed on ballots.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

None Expressed

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None Expressed

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Date: 4/4/19

