AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTIONS AND SECURITY.

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

Section 1. Section 9-241 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) Any person owning or holding an interest in any voting tabulator, as defined in subsection (w) of section 9-1, as amended by this act, may apply to the Secretary of the State to examine such tabulator and report on its accuracy and efficiency. The Secretary of the State shall examine the tabulator and determine whether, in the Secretary's opinion, the kind of tabulator so examined (1) meets the requirements of section 9-242, (2) can be used at elections, primaries and referenda held pursuant to this title, and (3) complies with applicable standards for electronic voting tabulators. If the Secretary of the State determines that the tabulator can be so used, such tabulator may be adopted for such use. No tabulator not so approved shall be so used. Each application shall be accompanied by a fee of one hundred dollars and the Secretary of the State shall not approve any tabulator until such fee and the expenses incurred by the Secretary in making the examination have been paid by the person making such application. Any voting tabulator company that has had its voting tabulator approved and that subsequently alters such tabulator in any way shall provide the Secretary of the State with notice of such alterations, including a description thereof and a statement of the purpose of such alterations. If any such alterations appear to materially affect the accuracy, appearance or efficiency of the tabulator, or modify

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the tabulator so that it can no longer be used at elections, primaries or referenda held pursuant to this title, at the discretion of the Secretary of the State, the company shall submit such alterations for inspection and approval, at its own expense, before such altered tabulators may be used. The Secretary of the State may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, concerning examination and approval of voting tabulators under this section. No voting tabulator that records votes by means of holes punched in designated voting response locations may be approved or used at any election, primary or referendum held pursuant to this title.

(b) The Secretary of the State shall appoint an individual to serve in a cyber security role within the office of the Secretary of the State. Such individual shall perform or assist in performing any technical review, testing or research associated with (1) the use of voting systems, and (2) the development of any other standards necessary to protect the integrity of the voting process.

[(b)] (c) The Secretary of the State may enter into an agreement with The University of Connecticut or a member of the Connecticut State University System to perform or assist in performing the following functions: (1) Any technical review, testing or research associated with the certification of voting equipment, (2) any technical review, testing or research associated with the decertification of voting equipment, (3) the development of standards for the use of voting equipment during any election, primary or referenda, (4) the development of standards to ensure the accuracy of voting equipment, (5) the development of standards and procedures for the security, set-up and storage of voting equipment, (6) the development of standards, procedures and oversight of post-election audits, (7) the development of standards for recanvass procedures to ensure the accuracy and reliability of any such recanvass, (8) the development of standards and procedures for the testing, security and use of an election management system, (9) the development of standards and procedures for the programming of ballots and voting equipment, (10) research and analysis of data formats for ballot programming and election-related electronic data,
and (11) the development of any other standards necessary to protect
the integrity of voting equipment.

Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) Whenever voter registration
information maintained under title 9 of the general statutes by the
Secretary of the State or any registrar of voters is provided pursuant to
any provision of the general statutes, disclosure of a voter's date of
birth shall be limited to only the year of birth, unless such voter
registration information is requested and used for a governmental
purpose, as determined by the Secretary, in which case the voter's
complete date of birth shall be provided. As used in this section, a
governmental purpose shall include, but not be limited to, jury
administration.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any
motor vehicle operator's license number, identity card number, Social
Security number and any other unique identifier used for the purpose
of generating a voter registration record, or added to such record for
compliance with the requirements of the Help America Vote Act, P.L.
107-252, as amended from time to time, shall be confidential and shall
not be disclosed to any person.

(c) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, if a voter
submits to the Secretary of the State a signed statement that
nondisclosure of such voter's name from the official registry list is
necessary for the safety of such voter or the voter's family, the name
and address of such voter on his or her voter registration record shall
be confidential and shall not be disclosed, except that an election,
primary or referendum official may view such information on the
official registry list when such list is used by any such official at a
polling place on the day of an election, primary or referendum.

Sec. 3. Subsection (w) of section 9-1 of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from
passage):

(w) "Voting tabulator" means a machine, including, but not limited
to, a device [which operates] and any accompanying instruments, such as memory cards, that operate by electronic means, for the registering and recording of votes cast at elections, primaries and referenda;

Sec. 4. Subsection (a) of section 9-238 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) Except as provided in section 9-272, voting tabulators shall be used at all elections held in any municipality, or in any part thereof, for voting and registering and counting votes cast at such elections for officers, and upon all questions or amendments submitted at such elections. The board of selectmen of each town, the common council of each city and the warden and burgesses of each borough shall purchase or lease, or otherwise provide, for use at elections in each such municipality a number of voting tabulators approved by the Secretary of the State, and two memory cards programmed for each such tabulator. Different voting tabulators may be provided for different voting districts in the same municipality. Notwithstanding any provision of this subsection to the contrary, the registrars of voters of a municipality may determine the number of voting tabulators that shall be provided for use at any special election in such municipality, provided the registrars shall provide at least one voting tabulator in the municipality or, in a municipality divided into voting districts, shall use at least one voting tabulator in each such voting district.

Sec. 5. Section 9-247 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The registrars of voters shall, before the day of the election, cause test ballots to be inserted in each tabulator to ensure that each tabulator is prepared and read and cause each other voting system approved by the Secretary of the State for use in the election, including, but not limited to, voting devices equipped for individuals with disabilities that comply with the provisions of the Help America Vote Act, P.L. 107-25, as amended from time to time, to be put in order in every way and set and adjust the same so that it shall be ready for
use in voting when delivered at the polling place. Such registrars of
voters shall cause each voting system to be in order and set and
adjusted, to be delivered at the polling place, together with all
necessary furniture and appliances that go with the same, at the room
where the election is to be held, and to be tested and operable not later
than one hour prior to the opening of the polling place.

(b) (1) Upon completion of the requirements set forth in subsection
(a) of this section and in regulations adopted by the Secretary of the
State relating to preparation of any voting system, the registrars of
voters shall submit for security analysis one of the two memory cards
programmed for each voting tabulator, as provided in subdivision (2)
of subsection (a) of section 9-238, as amended by this act, to the entity
with which the Secretary has entered into an agreement pursuant to
subsection (c) of section 9-241, as amended by this act.

(2) In the case of a voting tabulator subject to audit pursuant to
section 9-320f, after the completion of such audit and the conclusion of
the period prescribed in sections 9-266 and 9-310 during which such
voting tabulator shall be locked, sealed, secured and stored, the
registrars of voters shall submit for security analysis the remaining
memory card programmed for such voting tabulator to the entity with
which the Secretary has entered into an agreement pursuant to
subsection (c) of section 9-241, as amended by this act.

Sec. 6. Subsection (a) of section 9-404b of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from
passage):

(a) The petition form for candidacies for nomination to state or
district office shall be prescribed and provided by the Secretary of the
State, and signatures shall be obtained only on such form or on
duplicate petition pages produced in accordance with the provisions of
section 9-404a. Such form shall include, at the top of the form and in
bold print, the following:

WARNING
IT IS A CRIME TO SIGN THIS PETITION
IN THE NAME OF ANOTHER PERSON
WITHOUT LEGAL AUTHORITY TO DO SO
AND YOU MAY NOT SIGN THIS PETITION
IF YOU ARE NOT AN ELECTOR.

The form shall include a statement of instructions to persons using the form and shall indicate the date and time by which it shall be filed and the person with whom it shall be filed. The form shall (1) provide spaces for the names and addresses of the candidates, the offices to which nomination is sought and the political party holding the primary, [and shall] (2) provide lines for the signatures, street addresses, dates of birth and the printing of the names of enrolled party members supporting the person or persons on behalf of whose candidacy the petition is used, and (3) include a statement that any such enrolled party member is not required to complete the line for date of birth.

Sec. 7. Subsection (a) of section 9-410 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The petition form for candidacies for nomination to municipal office or for election as members of town committees shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the State and provided by the registrar of the municipality in which the candidacy is to be filed or duplicate petition pages shall be produced in accordance with section 9-409, and signatures shall be obtained only on such forms or such duplicate petition pages. Such form shall include, at the top of the form and in bold print, the following:

WARNING
IT IS A CRIME TO SIGN THIS PETITION
IN THE NAME OF ANOTHER PERSON

WITHOUT LEGAL AUTHORITY TO DO SO

AND YOU MAY NOT SIGN THIS PETITION

IF YOU ARE NOT AN ELECTOR.

The form shall include thereon a statement of instructions to persons using the form and shall indicate the date and time by which it shall be filed and the person with whom it shall be filed. The form shall (1) provide spaces for the names and addresses of the candidates, the offices to which nomination is sought or the positions to which election is sought and the political party holding the primary, [and shall] (2) provide lines for the signatures, street addresses, dates of birth and the printing of the names of enrolled party members supporting the person or persons on behalf of whose candidacy the petition is used, and (3) include a statement that any such enrolled party member is not required to complete the line for date of birth. Only as many candidates may be proposed in any one primary petition for the same office or position as are to be nominated or chosen by such party for such office or position; but any one primary petition may propose as many candidates for different offices or positions as there are nominations to be made or positions to be filled.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

| Section 1 | from passage | 9-241 |
| Sec. 2 | from passage | New section |
| Sec. 3 | from passage | 9-1(w) |
| Sec. 4 | from passage | 9-238(a) |
| Sec. 5 | from passage | 9-247 |
| Sec. 6 | from passage | 9-404b(a) |
| Sec. 7 | from passage | 9-410(a) |