



General Assembly

**Amendment**

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**"AN ACT EXTENDING TO JUNE 30, 2021, CHANGES IMPLEMENTED FOR THE 2020 STATE ELECTION AS A RESULT OF COVID-19."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (*Effective October 1, 2021*) (a) Notwithstanding the  
4 provisions of section 7-192a of the general statutes, the Secretary of the  
5 State shall establish a pilot program for the manual or electronic  
6 verification of signatures on the inner envelopes for returned absentee  
7 ballots at the 2022 state election. The Secretary shall randomly select five  
8 municipalities for participation in such pilot program, in accordance  
9 with the following: (1) One municipality with a population of less than  
10 ten thousand; (2) one municipality with a population of ten thousand or  
11 greater, but less than twenty-five thousand; (3) one municipality with a  
12 population of twenty-five thousand or greater, but less than fifty  
13 thousand; (4) one municipality with a population of fifty thousand or  
14 greater, but less than one hundred thousand; and (5) one municipality  
15 with a population of one hundred thousand or greater. For the purposes

16 of this section, "population" means the estimated number of people  
17 according to the most recent version of the State Register and Manual  
18 prepared pursuant to section 3-90 of the general statutes.

19 (b) Not later than January 1, 2023, the Secretary of the State shall  
20 submit a report on the findings of the pilot program described in  
21 subsection (a) of this section and recommendations for legislation to the  
22 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
23 matters relating to elections, in accordance with the provisions of section  
24 11-4a of the general statutes."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	October 1, 2021	New section