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**"AN ACT CONCERNING VARIOUS PROVISIONS RELATED TO
GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND COVID-19."**

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

3 "Sec. 501. Subdivision (5) of subsection (a) of section 9-7b of the
4 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
5 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

6 (5) (A) [To] Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this
7 subdivision, to inspect or audit at any reasonable time and upon
8 reasonable notice the accounts or records of any treasurer or principal
9 treasurer, [except as provided for in subparagraph (B) of this
10 subdivision,] as required by chapter 155 or 157, and to audit any such
11 election, primary or referendum held within the state; provided, (i) (I)
12 not later than two months preceding the day of an election at which a
13 candidate is seeking election, the commission shall complete any audit
14 it has initiated in the absence of a complaint that involves a committee
15 of the same candidate from a previous election, and (II) during the two-

16 month period preceding the day of an election at which a candidate is
 17 seeking election, the commission shall not initiate an audit in the
 18 absence of a complaint that involves a committee of the same candidate
 19 from a previous election, and (ii) the commission shall not audit any
 20 caucus, as defined in subdivision (1) of section 9-372.

21 (B) (i) When conducting an audit after an election or primary, the
 22 commission shall randomly audit not more than fifty per cent of
 23 candidate committees, which shall be selected through the process of a
 24 weighted lottery conducted by the commission that takes into account
 25 the selection frequency of a district served by the office of state senator
 26 or state representative, as applicable, for the immediately preceding
 27 three regular elections for such office and increases or decreases the
 28 likelihood that such district will be selected for audit based on such
 29 selection frequency, except that the commissioner shall audit all
 30 candidate committees for candidates for a state-wide office.

31 (ii) When conducting an audit of any qualified candidate committee,
 32 as defined in section 9-700, the scope of the commission's audit shall be
 33 limited to (I) an accounting of the contributions received and the
 34 expenditures made by such qualified candidate committee, and (II)
 35 whether such contributions or expenditures comply with the provisions
 36 of chapters 155 and 157.

37 (C) The commission shall notify, in writing, any committee of a
 38 candidate for an office in the general election, or of any candidate who
 39 had a primary for nomination to any such office not later than May
 40 thirty-first of the year immediately following such election. In no case
 41 shall the commission audit any such candidate committee that the
 42 commission fails to provide notice to in accordance with this
 43 subparagraph;"

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
| Sec. 501 | <i>from passage</i> | 9-7b(a)(5) |