



General Assembly

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"AN ACT CONCERNING INCREASED OPPORTUNITIES FOR ABSENTEE VOTING, SAFE AND SECURE IN-PERSON VOTING, VOTER REGISTRATION AND CERTAIN OTHER CHANGES REGARDING ELECTION ADMINISTRATION."

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