



General Assembly

January Session, 2023

Substitute Bill No. 6870



**AN ACT CONCERNING RETRIEVAL BY TOWN CLERKS OF
ABSENTEE BALLOTS IN DROP BOXES.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 9-140b of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2023*):

4 (c) (1) For purposes of this section, "mailed" means (A) sent by the
5 United States Postal Service or any commercial carrier, courier or
6 messenger service recognized and approved by the Secretary of the
7 State, or (B) deposited in a secure drop box designated by the
8 municipal clerk for such purpose, in accordance with instructions
9 prescribed by the Secretary.

10 (2) In the case of absentee ballots mailed under subparagraph (B) of
11 subdivision (1) of this subsection, beginning on the [twenty-ninth day
12 before each election, primary or referendum] first day of issuance of
13 absentee voting sets, as provided in subsection (f) of section 9-140, and
14 on each weekday thereafter until the close of the polls at [such] the
15 election, primary or referendum, the municipal clerk shall retrieve
16 from the secure drop box described in said subparagraph each such
17 ballot deposited in such drop box.

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

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	9-140b(c)
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Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In Subsec. (c)(2), "subdivision (1) of subsection (g)" was changed to "subsection (f)" for accuracy.

GAE *Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO*