

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by: (GAE)

AN ACT CONCERNING BALLOTS USED AT POLLING PLACES THAT SERVE MULTIPLE VOTING DISTRICTS.

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 9-250 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):
- Ballots shall be furnished by the registrar of voters and shall be 3
- printed (1) in plain clear type, and (2) on material of such size as will 4
- fit the tabulator [, and shall be furnished by the registrar of voters] and, 5
- in the case of ballots used at a single polling place designated to serve 6
- multiple voting districts, of such color as to differentiate the ballots for
- 8 each voting district from the ballots for each other voting district. The
- 9 size and style of the type used to print the name of a political party on
- 10 a ballot shall be identical with the size and style of the type used to
- 11 print the names of all other political parties appearing on such ballot.
- 12 The name of each major party candidate for a municipal office, as
- defined in section 9-372, except for the municipal offices of state 13
- 14 senator and state representative, shall appear on the ballot as
- 15 authorized by each candidate. The name of each major party candidate

for a state or district office, as defined in section 9-372, or for the municipal office of state senator or state representative shall appear on the ballot as it appears on the certificate or statement of consent filed under section 9-388, subsection (b) of section 9-391, or section 9-400 or 9-409. The name of each minor party candidate shall appear on the ballot as authorized by each candidate. The name of each nominating petition candidate shall appear on the ballot as it is verified by the town clerk on the application filed under section 9-453b. The size and style of the type used to print the name of a candidate on a ballot shall be identical with the size and style of the type used to print the names of all other candidates appearing on such ballot. Such ballot shall contain the names of the offices and the names of the candidates arranged thereon. The names of the political parties and party designations shall be arranged on the ballots and followed by the word "party", either in columns or horizontal rows as set forth in section 9-249a, immediately adjacent to the column or row occupied by the candidate or candidates of such political party or organization. The ballot shall be printed in such manner as to indicate how many candidates the elector may vote for each office, provided in the case of a town adopting the provisions of section 9-204a, such ballot shall indicate the maximum number of candidates who may be elected to such office from any party. If two or more candidates are to be elected to the same office for different terms, the term for which each is nominated shall be printed on the official ballot as a part of the title of the office. If, at any election, one candidate is to be elected for a full term and another to fill a vacancy, the official ballot containing the names of the candidates in the foregoing order shall, as a part of the title of the office, designate the term which such candidates are severally nominated to fill. No column, under the name of any political party or independent organization, shall be printed on any official ballot, which contains more candidates for any office than the number for which an elector may vote for that office.

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This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:			
Section 1	October 1, 2019	9-250)

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