

1 S.49

2 Introduced by Senator Hartwell

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Elections; town clerks; boards of civil authority; polls; openings

6 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to allow boards of civil authority to
7 authorize town clerks to open the polls up to four days prior to the day of a
8 general election.

9 An act relating to opening the polls up to four days prior to the day of a
10 general election

11 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

12 Sec. 1. 17 V.S.A. § 2103(15) is amended to read:

13 (15) "General election" means the election held on the first Tuesday
14 after the first Monday in November, in ~~even-numbered~~ even-numbered years.
15 However, the board of civil authority may authorize the town clerk to open the
16 polls up to four days prior to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in
17 November, subject to the hour limitations set forth in section 2561 of this title.
18 If the board of civil authority authorizes the town clerk to open the polls
19 earlier, "general election" means the election held on all of those days
20 authorized, including the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

- 1 For the purpose of computing time, “general election” means the election held
- 2 on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.