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BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 423

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, after "Registration" insert "<u>Drive</u>"; and strike beginning with "authorizing" in line 3 down through "schools." in line 27 and substitute "<u>requiring each local board of elections to conduct a voter registration drive at least once each school year in each public high school in the county in a manner specified in an agreement between the local board and county board of education; requiring each public official responsible for the use of a public high school to make available to the local board of elections, without charge, the space that is needed in the building for the proper conduct of a voter registration drive; defining a certain term; and generally relating to voter registration drives conducted in public high schools."</u>

On page 2, in line 1, after "3-102(a)(1)" insert "and 3-201"; and strike in their entirety lines 4 through 8, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 2, strike the brackets; strike beginning with the semicolon in line 3 down through "ENROLLED" in line 6; and after line 10, insert:

"(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION, "VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE" MEANS A VOTER REGISTRATION SITE ADMINISTERED BY A LOCAL BOARD WHERE VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS APPROVED BY THE STATE BOARD ARE DISTRIBUTED TO INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE TO REGISTER TO VOTE.

(2) "VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE" MAY INCLUDE:

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- (I) AN EVENT ON SCHOOL PROPERTY, DURING SCHOOL HOURS, OPEN TO EACH EMPLOYEE OF AND STUDENT ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOL WHO IS OR WILL BE 16 YEARS OLD OR OLDER DURING THE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING YEAR, WHERE COMPLETED VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED BY A LOCAL BOARD OFFICIAL, EMPLOYEE, OR AUTHORIZED VOLUNTEER FOR TRANSMITTAL TO THE APPROPRIATE ELECTION OFFICIAL; OR
- VOLUNTEERS VISITING CLASSROOMS WITHIN A SCHOOL, DURING SCHOOL HOURS, DISTRIBUTING VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS TO EACH EMPLOYEE OF AND STUDENT ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOL WHO IS OR WILL BE 16 YEARS OLD OR OLDER DURING THE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING YEAR AND ACCEPTING COMPLETED VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS FOR TRANSMITTAL TO THE APPROPRIATE ELECTION OFFICIAL.
- (B) AT LEAST ONCE EACH SCHOOL YEAR, EACH LOCAL BOARD SHALL CONDUCT A VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE IN EACH PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY IN A MANNER SPECIFIED IN AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LOCAL BOARD AND THE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.
- (C) EACH PUBLIC OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR THE USE OF A PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE LOCAL BOARD, WITHOUT CHARGE, THE SPACE THAT IS NEEDED IN THE BUILDING FOR THE PROPER CONDUCT OF A VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE.".

On pages 3 through 5, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 11 on page 3 through line 14 on page 5, inclusive.

On page 5, in line 16, strike "October 1, 2020" and substitute "July 1, 2019".