

**Minutes of the New York State Board of Elections  
August 6, 2025**

The meeting of the Commissioners of the New York State Board of Elections was held at the office of the New York State Board of Elections, 40 North Pearl Street, Albany, New York in the 5<sup>th</sup> floor conference room and was called to order at 12:46 p.m. The meeting was chaired by Commissioner Peter Kosinski. Commissioners present were Essma Bagnuola, Anthony Casale, and Henry Berger via video conference. Staff members present were Kristen Zebrowski Stavisky, Raymond J. Riley III, Thomas Connolly, Brendan Lovullo, Brian Quail, Kevin Murphy, Aaron Suggs, Amy Hild, Jude Seymour, Kathleen McGrath, Jennifer Wilson, and Ben Spear. Guests in attendance were Bill Mahoney of Politico.

**Minutes from February 25, 2025, and April 29, 2025 - Minutes were approved. The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

**Unit Updates:**

**Executive** – Raymond Riley reported on several items including:

- Creation and implementation of the Accessibility Services and Training Unit.
- State Board staff will present at the Election Commissioners Association Summer Conference at the End of August.
- Online and Automatic Voter Registration update.

**Election Operations** – Amy Hild reported that the Election Operations unit is working on several issues including:

- Prepared roll calls for judicial nominating conventions as well as certification of offices to be filled at the General Election.
- Continued acceptance testing of new voting equipment across the state.
- Voting systems and vendor update.

**Legal** – Kevin Murphy reported on activities related to the Counsel/Compliance unit including:

- Litigation update.
- Retained a data scientist to analyze languages per county to ensure election and voting materials are created and disseminated in all required languages.
- Compliance statistics.

**PIO/NVRA** – Kathleen McGrath and Jennifer Wilson reported that the PIO/NVRA unit is working on several issues, including:

- Website updates.
- Media and social media engagements, as well as presenting to outside groups regarding options for voter registration and recent law changes related to elections and voting.
- Grants update.

**ITU** – Ben Spear reported on projects the IT unit is working on, including:

- Installed security equipment at the State Board.
- Membership in State RAM (Risk Analysis and Management System).

- Network redesign update which includes modernizing connections with the County Boards of Election.

**Old Business:**

- None.

**New Business:**

· VOTE on Resolution 25-06 to appoint Helen Hellmuth as Director of Accessibility & Training. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

· VOTE on Resolution 25-08 to appoint Jennifer Mainello as Deputy Director of Accessibility & Training. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

· VOTE on Resolution 25-07 to appoint Kevin Murphy as Co-Counsel. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

· VOTE on Re-appointment of Kristen Zebrowski Stavisky as Co-Executive Director. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola and Berger voting in the affirmative; 2 Yes and 0 No).**

· VOTE on Resolution 25-09 to certify the Statewide Ballot Proposal. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

· VOTE on Resolution 25-10 for final adoption of the addition of Part 6223 to 9 NYCRR Subtitle V Related to Automatic Voter Registration Regulations. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

· VOTE on Resolution 25-11 to approve certification testing of Electronic Systems & Software's EVS 6.5.2.1 Voting System. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

· VOTE on Resolution 25-12 to approve Electronic Poll Book System. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

· VOTE on Resolution 25-13 to appoint Edward Mevec and Gianni Presciutti as Hearing Officers. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

· MOTION to adjourn meeting. **The motion was approved unanimously. (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:34 p.m.



**New York State Board of Elections**

**APPROVED RESOLUTION 25-06**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING HELEN HELLMUTH TO THE POSITION OF  
DIRECTOR OF ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES & TRAINING**

**WHEREAS**, there was a vacancy within the New York State Board of Elections in the Director of Accessibility Services & Training position effective July 3, 2025, and

**WHEREAS**, Helen Hellmuth has indicated a willingness to serve as Director of Accessibility Services & Training, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Helen Hellmuth be and hereby is appointed Director of Accessibility Services & Training, effective July 3, 2025.

**Approved August 6, 2025  
VOTE 4 YES 0 NO**



**APPROVED RESOLUTION 25-07  
RESOLUTION APPOINTING KEVIN G. MURPHY TO THE POSITION OF  
CO-COUNSEL OF THE NEW YORK STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

**WHEREAS**, there currently exists a vacancy within the New York State Board of Elections in the position of Co-Counsel; and

**WHEREAS**, Kevin G. Murphy has indicated a willingness to serve as Co-Counsel, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Kevin G. Murphy be and hereby is appointed Co-Counsel of the New York State Board of Elections effective August 6, 2025, with a start date to be determined.

**Approved August 6, 2025  
VOTE 4 YES 0 NO**



**APPROVED RESOLUTION 25-08**  
**RESOLUTION APPOINTING JENNIFER MAINELLO TO THE POSITION OF**  
**DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES & TRAINING OF**  
**THE NEW YORK STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

**WHEREAS**, there currently exists a vacancy within the New York State Board of Elections in the position of Deputy Director of Accessibility Services & Training; and

**WHEREAS**, Jennifer Mainello has indicated a willingness to serve as Deputy Director of Accessibility Services & Training, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Jennifer Mainello be and hereby is appointed Deputy Director of Accessibility Services & Training of the New York State Board of Elections effective August 6, 2025, with a start date to be determined.

**Approved August 6, 2025**  
**VOTE 4 YES 0 NO**



## **APPROVED RESOLUTION 25-09**

### **Certification and Approval of the Abstract and Form of Submission of State Constitutional Amendment Related to Allowing Olympic Sports Complex In Essex County on State Forest Preserve Land**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Article XIX § 1 of the State Constitution, State Constitutional Amendments must be passed by two separately elected State Legislatures and then “each proposed amendment or amendments [must be submitted] to the people for approval in such manner and at such times as the legislature shall prescribe;” and

**WHEREAS**, a proposed State Constitutional Amendment related to adding certain provisions to section 1 of article 14 was duly passed by concurrent resolutions of two sequentially elected sessions of the State Legislature; and

**WHEREAS**, the Amendment provides that such “amendment be submitted to the people for approval at the general election to be held in the year 2025 in accordance with provisions of the election law;” and

**WHEREAS**, section 4-108(1) of the Election Law requires that the State Board “transmit to each county board of elections a certified copy of the text of each amendment...and a statement of the form in which it is to be submitted(;)” and

**WHEREAS**, Board staff prepared an abstract and form of the question, and, as required by law, such proposed form of submission and abstract were published on the website of the Board, and public comments having thereby been received and considered during a public comment period exceeding the fifteen days required by law;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Co-Executive Directors are authorized to sign the Certification, attached hereto, which certifies the text of proposal number one, the abstract of said proposal and the form of the

submission of the State Constitutional Amendment related to adding certain protections to the State Bill of Rights; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that State Board of Elections staff is authorized to transmit to each county board of elections a certified copy of such certification; further, staff is authorized to translate and publish same consistent with section 4-116 (2) of the Election Law.

**Approved August 6, 2025**  
**VOTE 4 YES 0 NO**

**STATE OF NEW YORK**

**STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

Albany, New York

August XX, 2025

**CERTIFICATION**

To the Boards of Elections of the State of New York:

Notice is hereby given, that as to the General Election to be held in this State on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, the following proposal will be submitted to the people for their approval: Proposal Number One, an Amendment

## **TEXT OF PROPOSAL NUMBER ONE, AN AMENDMENT**

### **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY**

(Assembly Bill 7454 / Senate Bill 5227)

proposing an amendment to section 1 of article 14 of the constitution, in relation to the Mount Van Hoevenberg Olympic Sports Complex in Essex County

Section 1. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That section 1 of article 14 of the constitution be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. The lands of the state, now owned or hereafter acquired, constituting the forest preserve as now fixed by law, shall be forever kept as wild forest lands. They shall not be leased, sold or exchanged, or be taken by any corporation, public or private, nor shall the timber thereon be sold, removed or destroyed. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the state from constructing, completing and maintaining any highway heretofore specifically authorized by constitutional amendment, nor from constructing and maintaining to federal standards federal aid interstate highway route five hundred two from a point in the vicinity of the city of Glens Falls, thence northerly to the vicinity of the villages of Lake George and Warrensburg, the hamlets of South Horicon and Pottersville and thence northerly in a generally straight line on the west side of Schroon Lake to the vicinity of the hamlet of Schroon, then continuing northerly to the vicinity of Schroon Falls, Schroon River and North Hudson, and to the east of Makomis Mountain, east of the hamlet of New Russia, east of the village of Elizabethtown and continuing northerly in the vicinity of the hamlet of Towers Forge, and east of Poke-O-Moonshine Mountain and continuing northerly to the vicinity of the village of Keeseville and the city of Plattsburgh, all of the afore said taking not to exceed a total of three hundred acres of state forest preserve land, nor from constructing and maintaining not more than twenty-five miles of ski trails thirty to two hundred feet wide, together with appurtenances thereto, provided that no more than five miles of such trails shall be in excess of one hundred twenty feet wide, on the north, east and northwest slopes of Whiteface Mountain in Essex county, nor from constructing and maintaining not more than twenty-five miles of

ski trails thirty to two hundred feet wide, together with appurtenances thereto, provided that no more than two miles of such trails shall be in excess of one hundred twenty feet wide, on the slopes of Belleayre Mountain in Ulster and Delaware counties and not more than forty miles of ski trails thirty to two hundred feet wide, together with appurtenances thereto, provided that no more than eight miles of such trails shall be in excess of one hundred twenty feet wide, on the slopes of Gore and Pete Gay mountains in Warren county, nor from relocating, reconstructing and maintaining a total of not more than fifty miles of existing state highways for the purpose of eliminating the hazards of dangerous curves and grades, provided a total of no more than four hundred acres of forest preserve land shall be used for such purpose and that no single relocated portion of any highway shall exceed one mile in length. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, the state may convey to the village of Saranac Lake ten acres of forest preserve land adjacent to the boundaries of such village for public use in providing for refuse disposal and in exchange therefore the village of Saranac Lake shall convey to the state thirty acres of certain true forest land owned by such village on Roaring Brook in the northern half of Lot 113, Township 11, Richards Survey. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, the state may convey to the town of Arietta twenty-eight acres of forest preserve land within such town for public use in providing for the extension of the runway and landing strip of the Piseco airport and in exchange therefor the town of Arietta shall convey to the state thirty acres of certain land owned by such town in the town of Arietta. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions and subject to legislative approval of the tracts to be exchanged prior to the actual transfer of title, the state, in order to consolidate its land holdings for better management, may convey to International Paper Company approximately eight thousand five hundred acres of forest preserve land located in townships two and three of Totten and Crossfield Purchase and township nine of the Moose River Tract, Hamilton county, and in exchange therefore International Paper Company shall convey to the state for incorporation into the forest preserve approximately the same number of acres of land located within such townships and such County on condition that the legislature shall determine that the lands to be received by the state are at least equal in value to the lands to be conveyed by the state. Notwithstanding the

foregoing provisions and subject to legislative approval of the tracts to be exchanged prior to the actual transfer of title and the conditions herein set forth, the state, in order to facilitate the preservation of historic buildings listed on the national register of historic places by rejoining an historic grouping of buildings under unitary ownership and stewardship, may convey to Sagamore Institute Inc., a not-for-profit educational organization, approximately ten acres of land and buildings thereon adjoining the real property of the Sagamore Institute, Inc. and located on Sagamore Road, near Raquette Lake Village, in the Town of Long Lake, county of Hamilton, and in exchange therefor; Sagamore Institute, Inc. shall convey to the state for incorporation into the forest preserve approximately two hundred acres of wild forest land located within the Adirondack Park on condition that the legislature shall determine that the lands to be received by the state are at least equal in value to the lands and buildings to be conveyed by the state and that the natural and historic character of the lands and buildings conveyed by the state will be secured by appropriate covenants and restrictions and that the lands and buildings conveyed by the state will reasonably be available for public visits according to agreement between Sagamore Institute, Inc. and the state.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions the state may convey to the town of Arietta fifty acres of forest preserve land within such town for public use in providing for the extension of the runway and landing strip of the Piseco airport and providing for the maintenance of a clear zone around such runway, and in exchange therefor, the town of Arietta shall convey to the state fifty-three acres of true forest land located in lot 2 township 2 Totten and Crossfield's Purchase in the town of Lake Pleasant. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions and subject to legislative approval prior to actual transfer of title, the state may convey to the town of Keene, Essex county, for public use as a cemetery owned by such town, approximately twelve acres of forest preserve land within such town and, in exchange therefor, the town of Keene shall convey to the state for incorporation into the forest preserve approximately one hundred forty-four acres of land, together with an easement over land owned by such town including the riverbed adjacent to the land to be conveyed to the state that will restrict further development of such land, on condition that the legislature shall determine that the property to be received by the state is at least equal in value to the land to be

conveyed by the state. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions and subject to legislative approval prior to actual transfer of title, because there is no viable alternative to using forest preserve lands for the siting of drinking water wells and necessary appurtenances and because such wells are necessary to meet drinking water quality standards, the state may convey to the town of Long Lake, Hamilton county, one acre of forest preserve land within such town for public use as the site of such drinking water wells and necessary appurtenances for the municipal water supply for the hamlet of Raquette Lake. In exchange therefor, the town of Long Lake shall convey to the state at least twelve acres of land located in Hamilton County for incorporation into the forest preserve that the legislature shall determine is at least equal in value to the land to be conveyed by the state. The Raquette Lake surface reservoir shall be abandoned as a drinking water supply source. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions and subject to legislative approval prior to actual transfer of title, the state may convey to National Grid up to six acres adjoining State Route 56 in St. Lawrence County where it passes through Forest Preserve in Township 5, Lots 1, 2, 5 and 6 that is necessary and appropriate for National Grid to construct a new 46kV power line and in exchange therefore National Grid shall convey to the state for incorporation into the forest preserve at least 10 acres of forest land owned by National Grid in St. Lawrence county, on condition that the legislature shall determine that the property to be received by the state is at least equal in value to the land conveyed by the state. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, the legislature may authorize the settlement, according to terms determined by the legislature, of title disputes in township forty, Totten and Crossfield purchase in the town of Long Lake, Hamilton county, to resolve longstanding and competing claims of title between the state and private parties in said township, provided that prior to, and as a condition of such settlement, land purchased without the use of state-appropriated funds, and suitable for incorporation in the forest preserve within the Adirondack park, shall be conveyed to the state on the condition that the legislature shall determine that the property to be conveyed to the state shall provide a net benefit to the forest preserve as compared to the township forty lands subject to such settlement. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, the state may authorize NYCO Minerals, Inc. to engage in mineral sampling

operations, solely at its expense, to determine the quantity and quality of wollastonite on approximately 200 acres of forest preserve land contained in lot 8, Stowers survey, town of Lewis, Essex county provided that NYCO Minerals, Inc. shall provide the data and information derived from such drilling to the state for appraisal purposes. Subject to legislative approval of the tracts to be exchanged prior to the actual transfer of title, the state may subsequently convey said lot 8 to NYCO Minerals, Inc., and, in exchange therefor, NYCO Minerals, Inc. shall convey to the state for incorporation into the forest preserve not less than the same number of acres of land, on condition that the legislature shall determine that the lands to be received by the state are equal to or greater than the value of the land to be conveyed by the state and on condition that the assessed value of the land to be conveyed to the state shall total not less than one million dollars. When NYCO Minerals, Inc. terminates all mining operations on such lot 8 it shall remediate the site and convey title to such lot back to the state of New York for inclusion in the forest preserve. In the event that lot 8 is not conveyed to NYCO Minerals, Inc. pursuant to this paragraph, NYCO Minerals, Inc. nevertheless shall convey to the state for incorporation into the forest preserve not less than the same number of acres of land that is disturbed by any mineral sampling operations conducted on said lot pursuant to this paragraph on condition that the legislature shall determine that the lands to be received by the state are equal to or greater than the value of the lands disturbed by the mineral sampling operations. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions and subject to legislative approval prior to actual transfer of title, a total of no more than two hundred fifty acres of forest preserve land shall be used for the establishment of a health and safety land account. Where no viable alternative exists and other criteria developed by the legislature are satisfied, a town, village or county may apply, pursuant to a process determined by the legislature, to the health and safety land account for projects limited to: address bridge hazards or safety on county highways, and town highways listed on the local highway inventory maintained by the department of transportation, dedicated, and in existence on January first, two thousand fifteen, and annually plowed and regularly maintained; elimination of the hazards of dangerous curves and grades on county highways, and town highways listed on the local highway inventory maintained by the department of

transportation, dedicated, and in existence on January first, two thousand fifteen, and annually plowed and regularly maintained; relocation and reconstruction and maintenance of county highways, and town highways listed on the local highway inventory maintained by the department of transportation, dedicated, and in existence on January first, two thousand fifteen and annually plowed and regularly maintained, provided further that no single relocated portion of any such highway shall exceed one mile in length; and water wells and necessary appurtenances when such wells are necessary to meet drinking water quality standards and are located within five hundred thirty feet of state highways, county highways, and town highways listed on the local highway inventory maintained by the department of transportation, dedicated, and in existence on January first, two thousand fifteen, and annually plowed and regularly maintained. As a condition of the creation of such health and safety land account the state shall acquire two hundred fifty acres of land for incorporation into the forest preserve, on condition that the legislature shall approve such lands to be added to the forest preserve. **Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, the construction, operation, and maintenance to international standards for Nordic skiing and biathlon trails that will accommodate global competitions, training, and events, totaling not more than three hundred twenty-three acres of trails and appurtenances thereto, is authorized on one thousand thirty- nine acres of forest preserve lands at the Mount Van Hoevenberg Olympic Sports Complex in the town of North Elba in Essex county, and as an offset thereto the state must acquire for incorporation into the forest preserve at least two thousand five hundred acres of forest land for inclusion in the forest preserve in the Adirondack Park on condition that the legislature shall determine that such lands are equal to or greater in value.**

§ 2. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the foregoing amendment be submitted to the people for approval at the general election to be held in the year 2025 in accordance with the provisions of the election law.

Explanation – Matter in underscored is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

## **ABSTRACT OF PROPOSAL NUMBER ONE, AN AMENDMENT**

### **Amendment to Allow Olympic Sports Complex In Essex County on State Forest Preserve Land**

The proposal amends the State Constitution. It permits new Nordic ski and biathlon trails in the forest preserve. Development there requires Constitutional permission. That is because the facility is in the Adirondack forest preserve. It is part of an Olympic Sports Complex in North Elba. North Elba is in Essex County, New York. The project touches up to 323 acres. The facility covers 1,039 acres. This use is offset. 2,500 new acres are added to the forest preserve. The New York Legislature must approve the offset. If not, the project will not happen.

## **FORM OF SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL NUMBER ONE, AN AMENDMENT**

### **Amendment to Allow Olympic Sports Complex In Essex County on State Forest Preserve Land**

Allows skiing and related trail facilities on state forest preserve land. The site is 1,039 acres. Requires State to add 2,500 acres of new forest land in Adirondack Park.

A yes vote authorizes new ski trails and related facilities in the Adirondack forest preserve.

A no vote does not authorize this use.

We hereby certify that the foregoing text of Ballot Proposal One, an Amendment, is a correct copy of the original as certified to be on file in the Department of State.

*Given under our hands and seal of office of the New York State Board of Elections, this \_\_ day of August in the year two thousand twenty-five.*

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Kristen Zebrowski Stavisky  
Co-Executive Director  
New York State Board of Elections

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Raymond J. Riley, III  
Co-Executive Director  
New York State Board of Elections



**New York State Board of Elections**

**APPROVED RESOLUTION 25-11**

**Resolution to Permit Certification Testing of Election Systems & Software's  
EVS 6.5.2.1 Voting System**

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Board of Elections is in receipt of a completed application from Election Systems & Software, LLC (ES&S) to certify their EVS 6.5.2.1 Voting System; and

**WHEREAS**, the certification described in the request includes the testing of the following components: Electionware Election Management System (EMS) software, DS200 v 1.2, DS200 v 1.3, DS300 v 1.0 Precinct Scanners & Tabulators, DS450, DS850 & DS950 High Speed Central Scanners, ExpressVote XL Universal Voting Device and the AutoMARK 2 Universal Voting System and Ballot Marking Device;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the New York State Board of Elections authorizes the testing for the certification request made by ES&S for the EVS 6.5.2.1 Voting System.

**Approved August 6, 2025  
VOTE 4 YES 0 NO**



**APPROVED RESOLUTION 25-10**

**Resolution to Adopt Addition of Part 6223 to 9 NYCRR Subtitle V Related to Automatic Voter Registration Pursuant to State Administrative Procedures Act (SAPA) § 202**

**WHEREAS**, by the unanimous vote of the Commissioners present at a meeting held on December 9, 2024, the New York State Board of Elections, pursuant to the authority of Election Law §§ 3-102 (1), 5-900 resolved to authorize Counsel’s Office to file Proposed Rule Making with the New York Department of State related to Automatic Voter Registration; and

**WHEREAS**, notice of proposed rulemaking adding Part 6223 with accompanying submissions as required by law, were duly filed with the Department of State and thereafter duly published in the New York State Register on March 5, 2025 (I.D. No. SBE092500002); and

**WHEREAS**, subsequent to the publication of proposed rulemaking, public comments have been received and duly considered, and the statutory time period for further comments has passed; and

**WHEREAS**, no amendments to the proposed initial rulemaking are proposed;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the addition of Part 6223, attached hereto, is hereby adopted and the Office of Counsel is authorized to file a Notice of Adoption indicating that such Section shall be effective upon publication in the New York State Register, and that further authority is granted to the Office of Counsel to file such other documents as may be required for the publication of such Notice of Adoption in the New York State Register and to effectuate the addition of Part 6223 to Title 9 of the NYCRR.

**Approved August 7, 2025  
VOTE 4 YES 0 NO**

## New Part 6223 – Automatic Voter Registration Program

### **6223.1 Participating agencies.**

(a) Any State or local agency, department, division, office, institution, or other entity designated in subdivision thirteen or designated by the governor pursuant to subdivision fourteen of section 5-900 of the Election Law shall be subject to the provisions of these regulations.

### **6223.2 Agency services, assistance, or transactions**

(a) Unless a person declines to register to vote, agencies shall provide to the State Board of Elections voter registration qualification information associated with each such person who submits: (1) an application for services or assistance at such agency, including a renewal, recertification, or reexamination transaction; (2) a change of address form; or (3) a change of name form. For purposes of this part, registration shall also include pre-registration pursuant to section 5-507 of the Election Law.

(b) Agencies shall determine and provide the State Board of Elections with a list of all services, assistance, or transactions provided by such agency that are subject to the automatic voter registration program. Such agencies shall review such list and update as necessary no less than once a year. Agencies shall provide the State Board of Elections with the updated list or certify that there are no changes to such list. Agencies are responsible for ensuring that their services, assistance, or transactions and the associated applications, forms, and notices meet the applicable requirements of the automatic voter registration program and these regulations.

### **6223.3 Transmission of Voter Registration Information**

(a) For each application or form submitted to an agency, whether electronically or on paper, such agency shall electronically transmit to the State Board of Elections through an interface with the electronic voter registration transmittal system established and maintained by the State Board of Elections that portion of the application or form that includes voter registration information.

(b) Each agency shall electronically transmit voter registration information to the State Board of Elections not later than ten days after receipt except that all voter registration information received by the agency after the twentieth day prior to an election and by the twelfth day before such election shall be electronically transmitted to the State Board of Elections as soon as practicable and not later than the tenth day before such election.

(c) The State Board of Elections shall develop and provide all agencies with the requirements for the transmission of electronic and paper integrated voter registration applications to the State Board of Elections. Such requirements shall relate to the manner, format, and content of the transmission of such applications to the State Board of Elections and shall include, but not be limited to, data standards, data elements to be transmitted, security obligations, transmittal information, and technical specifications. The State Board of Elections shall receive feedback from agencies related to such requirements and shall review and, if necessary, update such requirements no less than once a year.

(d) (1) Any transmission of an integrated voter registration application submitted to an agency in a paper or electronic format shall conform with all of the requirements of state law, the regulations of the State Board of Elections, and the requirements developed pursuant to this section and such agency shall certify annually thereto.

(2) If the State Board of Elections determines that such transmission does not conform, it shall, as rapidly as practical, notify such agency of the nature of the nonconformity and provide a date when such nonconformity shall be corrected. To the extent practical, such date shall provide the shortest amount of time necessary for such agency to correct such nonconformity. Such agency's correction of the nonconforming aspects of such system shall be by the date provided and such agency shall provide to the State Board of Elections such evidence of the change or changes in such system as the State Board of Elections may deem appropriate.

(e) (1) No agency shall transmit to the State Board of Elections any voter registration information for a person that indicates on the integrated personal voter registration application or form that they do not meet one of the eligibility requirements, including but not limited to, U.S. citizenship.

(2) Agencies shall redact or remove from the application or form to be transmitted to the State Board of Elections any information solely applicable to the agency application or form.

(3) No integrated personal voter registration application or form shall be transmitted if the applicant declines registration or fails to sign such application.

(4) Information concerning the citizenship status of individuals, when collected and transmitted shall not be retained, used, or shared for any other purpose except as may be required by law.

(f) Each agency, after complying with the notice and comment rulemaking requirements set forth in subdivision sixteen of section 5-900 of the Election Law, shall enter into an agreement with the State Board of Elections finalizing the format and content of electronic transmissions. Such agreement shall incorporate by reference the requirements created by the State Board of Elections pursuant to this section.

#### **6223.4 Integrated personal voter registration application and forms**

(a) Agency programs shall have a personal voter registration application integrated within the agency's application for services, assistance, or transactions and change of address or name forms. Agencies shall ensure agency paper and electronic applications or forms substantially include all of the elements required by section 5-210 of the Election Law, including the appropriate attestation, so that persons completing such applications or forms shall be able to also submit an application to register to vote through the electronic voter registration transmittal system.

(b) The voter registration portion of any paper or electronic integrated personal voter registration application, form, or notice subject to the automatic voter registration program shall be approved by the Co-Executive Directors of the State Board of Elections. Agencies shall submit such application, form, or notice to the State Board of Elections for review before such application, form, or notice is provided to the public pursuant to subdivision sixteen of section 5-900 of the Election Law and shall provide the

State Board of Elections with details on how such application, form, or notice meets the requirements of state law and the regulations of the State Board of Elections.

(c) The voter registration portion of any electronic integrated personal voter registration application or form subject to the automatic voter registration program shall not repeat any question that is asked in other parts of the agency's application or form.

(d) To the extent practical, the voter registration portion of any paper or electronic integrated personal voter registration application or form subject to the automatic voter registration program may require only the minimum amount of information necessary to: (1) prevent duplicate voter registrations; and (2) enable election officials to assess the eligibility of the applicant and to administer voter registration and other parts of the election process.

(e) The statements required by subdivision 6 of section 5-900 of the Election Law shall be stated in a clear and concise manner using plain language and be printed in a format and type size that is clear and easy to read and understand.

(f) The statement related to the address confidentiality program required pursuant to paragraph (f) of subdivision 6 of section 5-900 of the Election Law shall inform applicants that individuals eligible for such program should contact the State Board of Elections before registering or pre-registering to vote to ensure confidentiality.

(g) Applicants shall be able to sign the voter registration application and the agency application or form by means of a single manual or electronic signature unless the agency requires more than one signature for other agency purposes. If such agency requires more than one signature, then such agency shall provide the State Board of Elections with such purpose and certify that such purpose is necessary.

(h) If an electronic application or form has multiple screens such application or form shall state the signature portion of the application or form may be on a different screen.

(i) The voter registration portion of any paper or electronic integrated personal voter registration application or form subject to the automatic voter registration program shall be reviewed for usability and accessibility.

### **6223.5 Signatures**

(a) An integrated voter registration application submitted to an agency in an electronic format may be signed by electronic signature and an exemplar signature may be obtained pursuant to subdivision (b) of this section.

(b) If an applicant applies to register to vote electronically, such applicant shall consent to the use of an electronic copy of the individual's manual signature that is in the custody of the Department of Motor Vehicles, the State Board of Elections, or other agency designated by 5-900 of the Election Law, as such applicant's voter registration exemplar signature. Such applicant may also provide such exemplar signature by other means approved by the State Board of Elections including, but not limited to, electronic upload in a manner that complies with the requirements developed by the State Board of Elections pursuant to section 6223.3.

(c) Any agency subject to the provisions of these regulations shall have access to an interface developed and administered by the State Board of Elections for electronic signature upload. Should any agency subject to the provisions of these regulations elect to develop its own method for electronic signature upload, such method shall have the capability to fully integrate with the interface developed and administered by the State Board of Elections.

(d) If a voter registration exemplar signature is not received from an applicant who submits a voter registration application and such signature exemplar is not otherwise available from the statewide voter registration database or a state or local agency, the local county board of elections shall, absent another reason to reject the application, proceed to register or pre-register and, as applicable, enroll the applicant. Within ten days of such action, the local board of elections shall send a standard form promulgated by the State Board of Elections to the voter whose record lacks an exemplar signature, requiring such voter to submit a signature for identification purposes. The voter shall submit to the local board of elections a voter registration exemplar signature by any one of the following methods: in person, by mail with return postage paid provided by the local board of elections, by electronic mail, or by electronic upload to the local board of elections through the State Board of Election's electronic voter registration transmittal system. If such voter does not provide the required exemplar signature, when the voter appears to vote the voter shall be entitled to vote by affidavit ballot.

#### **6223.6 State Board of Elections Responsibilities**

(a) The State Board of Elections shall prepare and distribute to agencies written instructions as to the implementation of the program and shall be responsible for establishing training programs for employees of such agencies. Such instructions and training program may include, but not be limited to: (1) the transmission requirements created by the State Board of Elections pursuant to 6223.3; (2) usability of agency integrated applications for low English proficiency voters; (3) voter registration eligibility criteria; and (4) confidential voter information.

(b) The State Board of Elections shall provide guidance on the type of services, assistance, or transactions that are subject to the automatic voter registration program.

#### **6223.7 Agency Responsibilities**

(a) Each agency shall comply with the notice and comment rulemaking requirements set forth in subdivision sixteen of section 5-900 of the Election Law.

(b) Agencies shall provide the State Board of Elections with such agency's plan for implementation before such plans are provided to the public pursuant to subdivision sixteen of section 5-900 of the Election Law. Such agencies shall also provide the State Board of Elections with the time and manner in which such agency intends to provide such plans to the public.

(c) Agencies shall designate an Automatic Voter Registration program coordinator. Such coordinator shall be the point of contact for the State Board of Elections. (d) Agencies shall place in a conspicuous position in each of its offices a sign which indicates that a person may register to vote in that office.



## **New York State Board of Elections**

### **APPROVED RESOLUTION 25-12**

#### **Resolution to Approve Electronic Poll Book System**

**WHEREAS**, Part XX of Chapter 55 of the New York Laws of 2019 authorizes the use of Electronic Poll Book Systems (EPBS) in New York State during elections; and

**WHEREAS**, said chapter law provides that the State Board of Elections "shall promulgate minimum security standards" for EPBSs being used in New York State; and

**WHEREAS**, said chapter law provides that the State Board shall "promulgate a list of devices that are approved for use" as EPBSs during elections; and

**WHEREAS**, a vendor has submitted system modifications to be considered for approval as EPBS configurations for use in New York State; and

**WHEREAS**, the Election Operations Unit is tasked with evaluating the systems to ensure they meet security standards and other relevant standards; and

**WHEREAS**, the Election Operations Unit has conducted an evaluation of said system, and has provided a summary report for the consideration of the Board; and

**WHEREAS**, vulnerability scanning was performed on the system submitted, to the extent practicable, by staff of the State Board's Secure Election Center (SEC), and a report of their findings has been provided for the consideration of the Board; and

**WHEREAS**, having considered the report and the results of evaluation conducted by the Election Operations Unit and attestations received, we do hereby recommend the approval of the system configuration submitted by the following vendor for use:

- Robis – ePoll Book AskED 3.4.144, AskED Command Center 6.2.0, HP x360 EEHP x360 EE, Levovo 300w Yoga Gen 4, Lenovo 300w Yoga Gen 5 with Windows 11 Pro 23H2

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Commissioners of the New York State Board of Elections, at their meeting convened on August 6, 2025, do hereby approve the EPBS configuration submitted by the vendor above. Such approval is based on the specific EPBS hardware and software submitted by the vendor and reviewed by the State Board of Elections. Should the vendor make, or plan to make, any modifications or alterations to the EPBS configuration approved, such modifications or alterations shall be reviewed by the State Board of Elections for approval, consistent with all change management procedures and the use of such systems shall comply with all related State Board procedures and requirements.

**Approved August 6, 2025; VOTE 4 YES 0 NO**



**New York State Board of Elections**

**APPROVED RESOLUTION 25-13**

**Resolution of the State Board of Elections Approving Individuals to Serve as Hearing Officers in Conjunction with Election Law § 3-104 (5)(a)**

**WHEREAS**, the Election Law was modified pursuant to Chapter 55 of the Laws of 2014 to include a hearing process for certain violations of the Election Law that do not otherwise warrant a criminal prosecution; and

**WHEREAS**, said hearing process, as established in Election Law § 3-104(5)(a), calls for the State Board of Elections to establish a list of prospective Hearing Officers, each of whom shall have been approved by a majority vote of the Board;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the New York State Board of Elections approves the following additional individuals to serve as Hearing Officers: Edward Mevec and Gianni Presciutti

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution expires August 30, 2027.

**Approved August 6, 2025  
VOTE 4 YES 0 NO**