Act No. 44 (S.29). Elections; registration of voters; election day registration

An act relating to election day registration

On the effective date of January 1, 2017, this act will eliminate Vermont's current voter registration deadline so that a person can register to vote at his or her polling place on the day of an election, and then vote in that election. Under current law, the deadline to register to vote is 5:00 p.m. on the Wednesday preceding the day of an election. The application to register to vote on election day will not differ from that which is required under current law.

The act also requires the Secretary of State to report by January 15, 2016 to the Senate and House Committees on Government Operations regarding issues related to voter registration and the conduct of elections.

Multiple effective dates, beginning on June 1, 2015