

1 H.426

2 Introduced by Representative Shaw of Pittsford

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Elections; local elections; local election ballots; deadline to prepare

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require a town

7 clerk to prepare local election ballots not later than 46 days before the local

8 election if that local election will be held on the same day as a statewide

9 primary or general election.

10 An act relating to the deadline to prepare local election ballots

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

12 Sec. 1. 17 V.S.A. § 2681a is amended to read:

13 § 2681a. LOCAL ELECTION BALLOTS

14 (a)(1) ~~Ballots~~ Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection,

15 ballots for local officers and local public questions shall be prepared at town

16 expense, under the direction of the town clerk, not later than 20 days before the

17 local election.

18 (2) If a local election is being held on the same day as a statewide

19 primary or general election, excluding the presidential primary, ballots for that

1 local election shall be prepared at town expense, under the direction of the
2 town clerk, not later than 46 days before the local election.

3 (3) ~~These~~ Local election ballots may be any color and the printing shall
4 be black; in other respects, they shall conform as nearly as may be practicable
5 to the form of the consolidated ballot in chapter 51, subchapter 2 of this title,
6 except as otherwise provided in this section.

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8 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

9 This act shall take effect on passage.