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Representative Donahue of Northfield moves that the House propose to the Senate that the bill be amended as follows:

First: By adding a Sec. 5a under the Voter Registration reader assistance heading to read as follows:

Sec. 5a. 17 V.S.A. § 2145 is amended to read:

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(f) A person who makes a false statement in completing a voter registration application form or the voter registration portion of an application for a motor vehicle driver’s license or nondriver identification card knowing the statement to be false shall be subject to the penalties of perjury as provided in 13 V.S.A. § 2901, except that a person who is not eligible to register to vote and who otherwise completes the application accurately shall not be considered to have made a false statement under this subsection by his or her unintentional failure to decline to register on a motor vehicle driver’s license or nondriver identification card application under section 2145a of this chapter or on a designated automatic voter registration agency’s application under subsection 2145b(e) of this chapter.

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1 Second: In Sec. 7, 17 V.S.A. § 2145b (voter registration agencies), in
2 subsection (e), by adding a subdivision (5) to read as follows:

3 (5)(A) An application for a designated automatic voter registration
4 agency’s services shall provide the penalties provided by law for submission of
5 a false voter registration application and shall require the signature of the
6 applicant, under penalty of perjury.

7 (B) If a person who is ineligible to vote becomes registered to vote
8 pursuant to this subsection in the absence of a violation of subsection 2145(f)
9 of this chapter, that person’s registration shall be presumed to have been
10 effected with official authorization and not the fault of that person.