

~~to implement the requirements of the Help America Vote Act of 2002, any federal or other special funds or grant received by the State in accordance with federal and State law for the purposes of this Act.~~

~~SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That in fiscal year 2008, the Governor shall appropriate sufficient funds to reimburse each county at a rate of 50% of the total expenditures made during fiscal year 2007 to implement early voting, including expenditures made for the purchase of electronic poll books.~~

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the regulations required to be adopted by a local board of elections under § 2-202.1(a) of the Election Law Article, as enacted by Section 2 of this Act, must be submitted to, reviewed by, and approved by the State Administrator of Elections before the local board:

(1) denies any application for registration on or after the effective date of this Act; or

(2) removes any voter from the registration list on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Sections 2 and 4 of this Act shall apply only to jurisdictions of the State in which, based on data from the 2000 Decennial Census:

(1) less than 60 percent of the population lives in owner-occupied dwellings; and

(2) the median income is less than \$40,000 per year.

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Governor shall include each year in the State budget sufficient State general funds to implement the requirements of § 10-302(b) of the Election Law Article.

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Sections 2, 4, and 5 of this Act shall remain effective until the end of June 30, 2008 and, at the end of June 30, 2008, with no further action required by the General Assembly, Sections 2, 4, and 5 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

SECTION 4. ~~5.~~ 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act ~~shall take effect June 1, 2006~~ is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

Enacted April 10, 2006.