

RESOLUTION NO. 73

REQUESTING THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO EVALUATE ONLINE VOTING REGISTRATION

Introduced: 2/10/14

By Ms. McLean Lane and Mr. Clenahan:

WHEREAS, The Help America Vote Act of 2002 provides assistance with the administration of certain Federal election laws and programs to establish minimum election administration standards for States and units of local government with responsibility for the administration of Federal elections, and

WHEREAS, Several states currently offer online voter registration, and initial results indicate that online voter registration is feasible and may be cost-effective, and

WHEREAS, By adopting an automated online voter registration system it may be possible to minimize the need for employee form-processing as almost all physical forms related to registration can be eliminated, and

WHEREAS, The registration system would need to include a secure and accessible online portal for individuals to register to vote, update their voter registration information and check necessary voting information such as polling location, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the Commissioners of the Board of Elections are requested to evaluate the potential benefits of online voter registration in Albany County, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

Referred to Law Committee. 2/10/14