

HB 127 – AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **127**

AN ACT relative to identification of voters.

SPONSORS: Rep. Berch, Ches 1; Rep. Horrigan, Straf 6; Rep. Gionet, Graf 5; Rep. Verschueren, Straf 13; Rep. Grenier, Sull 7; Rep. T. Smith, Hills 17; Rep. Richardson, Coos 4; Rep. Bartlett, Merr 19; Rep. Ley, Ches 9; Rep. Patten, Merr 17

COMMITTEE: Election Law

ANALYSIS

This bill authorizes the ballot clerk to verify the identity of a voter.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in **bold italics**.
 Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through.~~]
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fifteen

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

- 1 1 Verifying Identity of Voter; Ballot Clerk. Amend RSA 659:13, II(b) to read as follows:
2 (b) In addition to the forms of photo identification authorized in subparagraph (a), the
3 identification requirements of paragraph I may be satisfied by verification of the person's identity by
4 a moderator, **ballot clerk**, or supervisor of the checklist or the clerk of a town, ward, or city,
5 provided that if any person authorized to challenge a voter under RSA 659:27 objects to such
6 verification, identifies the reason for the objection in writing, and states the specific source of the
7 information or personal knowledge upon which the challenge of the photo identification is based, the
8 voter shall be required to execute a challenged voter affidavit as if no verification was made.
9 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect September 1, 2015, at 12:04 a.m.