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Committee Assignment: Senate 3

Bill #: S-21

1 **Sponsors:** Savannah Werner, Carson Cockle, Cody Platt

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3 **An Act To:** Make registering to vote and voting more accessible.

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5 *The People of the State of New York, represented in the*
6 *Senate and Assembly do enact as follows:*

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8 **Purpose**

9 To make voting easier and more efficient to vote. Voters ~~An individual~~ will have
10 easier access by automatically being registered at the age of eighteen. Registration
11 will be state-wide allowing any individual to vote at any state polling location.

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13 **Summary of Provisions**

14 Section 1: Definitions

15 State-wide: Effecting or expanding throughout all parts of a state

16 DMV: Department of Motor Vehicles

17 Section 2:

18 Making voting easier and more efficient by automatically registering individuals that
19 are the age of eighteen and making registration work by state and not by town.

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21 **Justification** The plan for this act is to create voting and registration more
22 accessible. To do this eligible voters will complete existing voter registration paper
23 work ~~will be filled out~~ when applying for a driver's license. Once a voter ~~turn~~
24 eighteen they will automatically be ready to vote. Voting will be made state-wide,
25 meaning all eligible and registered voters will be able to vote anywhere in New York
26 State. Voters will be able to move anywhere in the state and still be able to vote
27 without changing their voter registration. All current eligibility requirements will
28 remain in effect.

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30 **Fiscal Implications**

31 Registering to vote is a free process and all forms currently exist. There are no
32 anticipated fiscal implications.

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34 **Effective Date**

35 The bill will come into effect in 2019 after passage.