FY 2020 NEW YORK STATE EXECUTIVE BUDGET

NO EXCUSE ABSENTEE BALLOT
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT
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A BUDGET BILL submitted by the Governor in Accordance with Article VII of the Constitution

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

proposing an amendment to section 2 of article 2 of the constitution, in relation to absentee voting

Purpose:

This bill would amend the constitution to allow any eligible voter to request an absentee ballot regardless of the voter’s reasons for doing so.

Summary of Provisions and Statement in Support:

This bill amends the constitution to remove the provisions requiring that voters have an approved reason for requesting an absentee ballot. This bill reduces barriers to voting.

Budget Implications:

Enactment of this bill is necessary to implement the FY 2020 Executive Budget.

Effective Date:

This bill would take effect immediately.