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HOUSE BILL ***1174***

AN ACT relative to election challengers.

SPONSORS: Rep. Yakubovich, Merr. 24; Rep. Ankarberg, Straf. 10; Rep. Abramson, Rock. 37;
Rep. Johnson, Belk. 3; Rep. Love, Rock. 6

COMMITTEE: Election Law

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill permits election challengers to observe the hand counting of ballots and tabulation of votes from a distance which enables them to maintain a line of sight on any electronic ballot counting device.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

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

- 1 282:1 New Section; Provisions for the Purity of Elections; Challengers. Amend RSA 666 by inserting
- 2 after section 5 the following new section:
- 3 666:5-a Challengers; Where Positioned. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a
- 4 challenger appointed pursuant to RSA 666:5 shall be assigned by the moderator or other election official
- 5 presiding at the polling place to such position or positions within the polling place as will enable such
- 6 challenger to see and hear the hand-counting of ballots for the tabulation of votes, and to maintain a line
- 7 of sight on any electronic ballot counting device. Nothing in this section shall deprive any other person of
- 8 the right to observe the hand-counting of ballots for the tabulation of votes as provided by law.

282:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 10 days after its passage.

Approved: July 01, 2022
Effective Date: July 11, 2022