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**THE LEAGUE  
OF WOMEN VOTERS**  
*of New York State*

**MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF:**  
**A.6283 (Walker)**

**To:** Assembly Election Law Committee

**Date:** March 7, 2017

**Subject:** An act to amend the election law, in relation to establishing an electronic registration process integrated within designated agency applications.

The League of Women Voters of New York State supports the above referenced legislation to improve the voter registration process by enabling additional eligible persons to register through an electronic voter registration and transmission process.

Under this act individuals who do not have a driver's license or a non-driver ID card will be able to register to vote through an electronic process when they interact with state and local agencies that have been approved by the State Board of Elections. Paperless registration has been proven to be more accurate and less expensive than paper-based systems.

Not being registered to vote is one of the biggest barriers prohibiting citizens from voting. Many states have adopted progressive laws which help their citizens register to vote. New York has lagged behind and still follows archaic voting procedures including excuse only absentee voting and strict registration voter deadlines. Adopting measures to allow paperless voter registration at all state agencies, not just the DMV, will help promote voting in New York State.

**The League of Women Voters of New York State urges your support of this legislation.**