



Eligible 17-year-olds can now vote early in person and by absentee ballot.

Connecticut already allowed 17-year-olds to register if they'll turn 18 on or before Election Day. Now, eligible 17-year-olds who are U.S. citizens, Connecticut residents, and will turn 18 by Election Day may register to vote and vote early or by absentee ballot.

Increasing Voter Participation

Based on a state constitutional amendment overwhelmingly approved by voters, this new law (PA 26-42) expands access to voting by **allowing any eligible voter to cast an absentee ballot without needing to provide a specific reason.** The law removes outdated restrictions that previously limited absentee voting to a narrow set of circumstances.