

# COMMITTEE REPORT

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## MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Elections, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 518, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

- 1 Page 1, line 15, delete "touch sensitive".
- 2 Page 4, line 39, delete "state office or county" and insert "**candidate**
- 3 **filing error is made by the election division or a circuit court clerk,**
- 4 **the error does not invalidate the filing."**
- 5 Page 4, delete lines 40 through 42.
- 6 Page 8, line 40, after "If a petitioner" insert "**with a disability**".
- 7 Page 10, line 5, after "If a petitioner" insert "**with a disability**".
- 8 Page 13, delete lines 18 through 33, begin a new paragraph and
- 9 insert:
- 10 "**(c) A statement questioning the validity of a petition of**
- 11 **nomination or contesting the denial of certification under section**
- 12 **6 of this chapter must be filed with the county election board in**
- 13 **accordance with IC 3-8-1-2 not later than noon sixty-seven (67)**
- 14 **days before the date of the general election. A question regarding**
- 15 **the validity of a petition of nomination or the denial of certification**
- 16 **shall be referred to and determined by the county election board**
- 17 **not later than noon fifty-four (54) days before the date of the**
- 18 **general election."**
- 19 Page 14, line 28, strike "mailing".
- 20 Page 14, line 28, after "petitioner" delete "." and insert "**as set forth**

- 1 **on the petitioner's voter registration record."**
- 2 Page 14, line 31, after "If a petitioner" insert "**with a disability**".
- 3 Page 16, line 5, after "If a petitioner" insert "**with a disability**".
- 4 Page 16, line 14, delete "(a)".
- 5 Page 16, line 15, after "must" insert ", **in conformity with section**
- 6 **6 of this chapter:**
- 7 **(1)**".
- 8 Page 16, line 15, after "name" insert ";".
- 9 Page 16, line 15, strike "or", begin a new line block indented and
- 10 insert:
- 11 **"(2)**".
- 12 Page 16, line 16, after "attested" delete "." and insert "; **or**
- 13 **(3) authorize an individual to sign on behalf of the petitioner**
- 14 **with a disability."**
- 15 Page 16, delete lines 17 through 26.
- 16 Page 18, between lines 13 and 14, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 17 "SECTION 29. IC 3-8-7-28 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 18 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 28. (a) Except as
- 19 provided in subsections (b) and (c), if a nominee certified under this
- 20 chapter, IC 3-8-5, IC 3-8-6, or IC 3-10-1 desires to withdraw as the
- 21 nominee, the nominee must file a notice of withdrawal in writing with
- 22 the public official with whom the certificate of nomination was filed by
- 23 noon:
- 24 (1) July 15 before a general or municipal election;
- 25 (2) August 1 before a municipal election in a town subject to
- 26 IC 3-8-5-10;
- 27 (3) on the date specified for town convention nominees under
- 28 IC 3-8-5-14.5;
- 29 (4) on the date specified for declared write-in candidates under
- 30 IC 3-8-2-2.7; **or**
- 31 **(5) on the date specified for a school board candidate under**
- 32 **IC 3-8-2.5-4; or**
- 33 ~~(5)~~ **(6)** forty-five (45) days before a special election.
- 34 (b) A candidate who is disqualified from being a candidate under
- 35 IC 3-8-1-5 must file a notice of withdrawal immediately upon
- 36 becoming disqualified. The filing requirements of subsection (a) do not
- 37 apply to a notice of withdrawal filed under this subsection.
- 38 (c) A candidate who has moved from the election district the
- 39 candidate sought to represent must file a notice of withdrawal
- 40 immediately after changing the candidate's residence. The filing
- 41 requirements of subsection (a) do not apply to a notice of withdrawal
- 42 filed under this subsection."

- 1 Page 20, line 12, delete "not more" and insert "**less**".
- 2 Page 20, line 14, after "vote in the" insert "**municipal primary**
- 3 **election, municipal election, or special**".
- 4 Page 20, line 14, before "in the precinct" insert "**held only within**
- 5 **the municipality**".
- 6 Page 21, line 8, after "vote in the" insert "**municipal primary**
- 7 **election, municipal election, or special**".
- 8 Page 21, line 8, before "in the precinct" insert "**held only within the**
- 9 **municipality**".
- 10 Page 28, line 34, delete "an affidavit" and insert "**a verified**
- 11 **statement**".
- 12 Page 28, line 35, delete "IC 3-7-39." and insert "**IC 3-7-41**".
- 13 Page 32, line 8, delete "in accordance with the applicable deadline
- 14 set forth in" and insert "**on the date the county voter registration**
- 15 **office indicates under IC 3-7-33-5(f) that the applicant is a**
- 16 **registered voter**".
- 17 Page 32, delete line 9.
- 18 Page 32, line 24, after "display" insert "**visible to a voter**".
- 19 Page 35, line 25, delete "states on the poll list sheet" and insert
- 20 "**indicates**".
- 21 Page 35, line 31, delete "on the poll list sheet".
- 22 Page 35, line 40, delete "on the poll list sheet".
- 23 Page 37, line 41, after "day." insert "**If the close of a voter**
- 24 **registration period is transferred from twenty-nine (29) days to a**
- 25 **later date under this title, the voter may vote before the board on**
- 26 **the first day following the day on which the voter registration**
- 27 **period closes**".
- 28 Page 38, line 4, after "day." insert "**If the close of a voter**
- 29 **registration period is transferred from twenty-nine (29) days to a**
- 30 **later date under this title, the voter may vote before the board on**
- 31 **the first day following the day on which the voter registration**
- 32 **period closes**".
- 33 Page 41, delete line 25.
- 34 Page 41, line 27, after "IC 3-11-4-15;" insert "**or**
- 35 **(3) on the day of the receipt of the voter's application;**".
- 36 Page 41, line 28, delete "later." and insert "**the latest**".
- 37 Page 59, line 17, delete "circuit court clerk" and insert "**county**
- 38 **chairman**".
- 39 Page 60, line 37, delete "or the town".
- 40 Page 60, line 38, delete "clerk-treasurer".
- 41 Page 60, line 38, delete "If the".
- 42 Page 60, line 39, delete "vacancy is to be filled by the political party,

- 1 the" and insert "The".
- 2 Page 61, line 1, delete "If a town vacancy is to be filled by the
- 3 remaining".
- 4 Page 61, delete lines 2 through 4.
- 5 Page 65, line 13, strike "has notified" and insert "**certifies to**".
- 6 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.  
(Reference is to SB 518 as introduced.)

**and when so amended that said bill do pass .**

Committee Vote: Yeas 5, Nays 3.

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**Senator Landske, Chairperson**