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LEGISLATIVE BILL 214

Introduced by Pankonin, 2.

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Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

A BILL

1	FOR	AN	ACT	relating to political subdivisions; to amend sections
2				32-312, 32-517, 32-518, 32-520, 32-521, 32-522, 32-523,
3				32-525, 32-526, 32-528, 32-529, 32-557, 32-610, 32-618,
4				and 32-810, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and
5				sections 32-519 and 32-524, Revised Statutes Cumulative
6				Supplement, 2010; to require nonpartisan ballots for
7				nomination and election of county and city officers; to
8				harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original
9				sections.

10 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 32-312, Reissue Revised Statutes of

- 2 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 3 32-312 The registration application prescribed by the
- 4 Secretary of State pursuant to section 32-311.01 shall provide the
- 5 instructional statements and request the information from the
- 6 applicant as provided in this section.
- 7 CITIZENSHIP-"Are you a citizen of the United States of
- 8 America?" with boxes to check to indicate whether the applicant is or
- 9 is not a citizen of the United States.
- 10 AGE—"Are you at least eighteen years of age or will you
- 11 be eighteen years of age on or before the first Tuesday following the
- 12 first Monday of November of this year?" with boxes to check to
- 13 indicate whether or not the applicant will be eighteen years of age
- 14 or older on election day.
- WARNING—"If you checked 'no' in response to either of
- 16 these questions, do not complete this application.".
- 17 NAME—the name of the applicant giving the first and last
- 18 name in full, the middle name in full or the middle initial, and the
- 19 maiden name of the applicant, if applicable.
- 20 RESIDENCE—the name and number of the street, avenue, or
- 21 other location of the dwelling where the applicant resides if there
- 22 is a number. If the registrant resides in a hotel, apartment,
- 23 tenement house, or institution, such additional information shall be
- 24 included as will give the exact location of such registrant's place
- 25 of residence. If the registrant lives in an incorporated or

1 unincorporated area not identified by the use of roads, road names,

- 2 or house numbers, the registrant shall state the section, township,
- 3 and range of his or her residence and the corporate name of the
- 4 school district as described in section 79-405 in which he or she is
- 5 located.
- 6 POSTAL ADDRESS—the address at which the applicant
- 7 receives mail if different from the residence address.
- 8 ADDRESS OF LAST REGISTRATION—the name and number of the
- 9 street, avenue, or other location of the dwelling from which the
- 10 applicant last registered.
- 11 TELEPHONE NUMBERS—the telephone number of the applicant
- 12 at work and at home. At the request of the applicant, a designation
- 13 shall be made that the telephone number is an unlisted number, and
- 14 such designation shall preclude the listing of the applicant's
- 15 telephone number on any list of voter registrations.
- 16 DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER OR LAST FOUR DIGITS OF SOCIAL
- 17 SECURITY NUMBER-if the applicant has a Nebraska driver's license, the
- 18 license number, and if the applicant does not have a Nebraska
- 19 driver's license, the last four digits of the applicant's social
- 20 security number.
- 21 DATE OF APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION—the month, day, and
- 22 year when the applicant presented himself or herself for registration
- 23 or when the applicant completed and signed the registration
- 24 application if the application was submitted by mail or delivered to
- 25 the election official by the applicant's personal messenger or

- 1 personal agent.
- 2 PLACE OF BIRTH-show the state, country, kingdom, empire,
- 3 or dominion where the applicant was born.
- 4 DATE OF BIRTH—show the date of the applicant's birth. The
- 5 applicant shall be at least eighteen years of age or attain eighteen
- 6 years of age on or before the first Tuesday after the first Monday in
- 7 November to have the right to register and vote in any election in
- 8 the present calendar year.
- 9 REGISTRATION TAKEN BY-show the signature of the
- 10 authorized official or staff member accepting the application
- 11 pursuant to section 32-309 or 32-310 or at least one of the deputy
- 12 registrars taking the application pursuant to section 32-306, if
- 13 applicable.
- 14 PARTY AFFILIATION—show the party affiliation of the
- 15 applicant as Democrat, Republican, or Other or show no party
- 16 affiliation as Nonpartisan. (Note: If you wish to vote in both
- 17 partisan and nonpartisan primary elections for state and local
- 18 offices, you must indicate a political party affiliation on the
- 19 registration application. If you register without a political party
- 20 affiliation (nonpartisan), you will receive only the nonpartisan
- 21 ballots for state and local offices at primary elections. If you
- 22 register without a political party affiliation, you may vote in
- 23 partisan primary elections for congressional offices.)
- 24 OTHER—information the Secretary of State determines will
- 25 assist in the proper and accurate registration of the voter.

1 Immediately following the spaces for inserting

- 2 information as provided in this section, the following statement
- 3 shall be printed:
- To the best of my knowledge and belief, I declare under
- 5 penalty of election falsification that:
- 6 (1) I live in the State of Nebraska at the address
- 7 provided in this application;
- 8 (2) I have not been convicted of a felony or, if
- 9 convicted, it has been at least two years since I completed my
- 10 sentence for the felony, including any parole term;
- 11 (3) I have not been officially found to be non compos
- 12 mentis (mentally incompetent); and
- 13 (4) I am a citizen of the United States.
- 14 Any registrant who signs this application knowing that
- 15 any of the information in the application is false shall be guilty of
- 16 a Class IV felony under section 32-1502 of the statutes of Nebraska.
- 17 The penalty for a Class IV felony is up to five years imprisonment, a
- 18 fine of up to ten thousand dollars, or both.
- 19 APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE—require the applicant to affix his
- 20 or her signature to the application.
- 21 Sec. 2. Section 32-517, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 22 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 23 32-517 Except as provided in section 22-417, a county
- 24 clerk shall be elected in each county having a population of four
- 25 hundred thousand inhabitants or less at the statewide general

1 election in 1994 and each four years thereafter and in counties

- 2 having a population in excess of four hundred thousand inhabitants at
- 3 the statewide general election in 1996 and each four years
- 4 thereafter. The county clerk shall meet the qualifications found in
- 5 sections 23-1301 and 23-3203 if applicable. The county clerk shall be
- 6 elected on the partisan nonpartisan ballot.
- 7 Sec. 3. Section 32-518, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 8 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 9 32-518 Except as provided in section 22-417, (1) a register of deeds shall be elected in each county having a population 10 of more than twenty thousand and not more than four hundred thousand 11 12 inhabitants at the statewide general election in 1962 and each four 13 years thereafter and in counties having a population in excess of four hundred thousand inhabitants at the statewide general election 14 15 in 1964 and each four years thereafter and (2) if the population of a county which has a separate office of register of deeds pursuant to 16 17 section falls below thousand this twenty inhabitants 18 establishing such an office or if a county which has a separate 19 office of register of deeds immediately prior to July 10, 1990, has a 20 population of twenty thousand inhabitants or less, the office of the register of deeds shall continue and the officer shall be elected 21 pursuant to this section as if the county had a population of more 22 23 than twenty thousand and not more than four hundred thousand 24 inhabitants. The term of the register of deeds shall be four years or 25 until his or her successor is elected and qualified. The register of

1 deeds shall meet the qualifications found in section 23-1501. The

- 2 register of deeds shall be elected on the partisan nonpartisan
- 3 ballot.
- 4 Sec. 4. Section 32-519, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 5 Supplement, 2010, is amended to read:
- 6 32-519 (1) Except as provided in section 22-417, at the
- 7 statewide general election in 1990 and each four years thereafter, a
- 8 county assessor shall be elected in each county having a population
- 9 of more than three thousand five hundred inhabitants and more than
- 10 one thousand two hundred tax returns. The county assessor shall serve
- 11 for a term of four years.
- 12 (2) The county board of any county shall order the
- 13 submission of the question of electing a county assessor in the
- 14 county to the registered voters of the county at the next statewide
- 15 general election upon presentation of a petition to the county board
- 16 (a) conforming to the provisions of section 32-628, (b) not less than
- 17 sixty days before any statewide general election, (c) signed by at
- 18 least ten percent of the registered voters of the county secured in
- 19 not less than two-fifths of the townships or precincts of the county,
- 20 and (d) asking that the question be submitted to the registered
- 21 voters in the county. The form of submission upon the ballot shall be
- 22 as follows: For election of county assessor; Against election of
- 23 county assessor. If a majority of the votes cast on the question are
- 24 against the election of a county assessor in such county, the duties
- 25 of the county assessor shall be performed by the county clerk and the

1 office of county assessor shall either cease with the expiration of

- 2 the term of the incumbent or continue to be abolished if no such
- 3 office exists at such time. If a majority of the votes cast on the
- 4 question are in favor of the election of a county assessor, the
- 5 office shall continue or a county assessor shall be elected at the
- 6 next statewide general election.
- 7 (3) The county assessor shall meet the qualifications
- 8 found in sections 23-3202 and 23-3204. The county assessor shall be
- 9 elected on the partisan nonpartisan ballot.
- 10 Sec. 5. Section 32-520, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 11 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 12 32-520 A county sheriff shall be elected in each county
- 13 at the statewide general election in 1990 and each four years
- 14 thereafter. The term of the county sheriff shall be four years or
- 15 until his or her successor is elected and qualified. The county
- 16 sheriff shall meet the qualifications found in sections 23-1701 and
- 17 23-1701.01. The county sheriff shall be elected on the partisan
- 18 <u>nonpartisan</u>ballot.
- 19 Sec. 6. Section 32-521, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 20 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 21 32-521 A county treasurer shall be elected in each county
- 22 at the statewide general election in 1990 and each four years
- 23 thereafter. The term of the county treasurer shall be four years or
- 24 until his or her successor is elected and qualified. The county
- 25 treasurer shall meet the qualifications found in section 23-1601.01.

1 The county treasurer shall be elected on the partisan nonpartisan

- 2 ballot.
- 3 Sec. 7. Section 32-522, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 4 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 5 32-522 Except as provided in section 23-1201.01, a county
- 6 attorney shall be elected in each county at the statewide general
- 7 election in 1990 and each four years thereafter. The term of the
- 8 county attorney shall be four years or until his or her successor is
- 9 elected and qualified. Candidates for the office of county attorney
- 10 shall meet the qualifications found in sections 23-1201.01 and
- 11 23-1201.02. The county attorney shall be elected on the partisan
- 12 <u>nonpartisan</u> ballot.
- 13 Sec. 8. Section 32-523, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 14 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 15 32-523 Except as otherwise provided in sections 23-3401
- 16 and 23-3404, the public defender shall, in counties having a
- 17 population in excess of one hundred thousand inhabitants which have
- 18 not elected a public defender prior to July 10, 1984, be elected at
- 19 the next statewide general election following July 10, 1984, or the
- 20 year in which the county attains a population of one hundred thousand
- 21 inhabitants and shall, in other counties, be elected at the first
- 22 statewide general election of county officers following approval by
- 23 the county board and every four years thereafter. The term of the
- 24 public defender shall be four years or until his or her successor is
- 25 elected and qualified. The public defender shall meet the

1 qualifications found in section 23-3401. The public defender shall be

- 2 elected on the partisan nonpartisan ballot.
- 3 Sec. 9. Section 32-524, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 4 Supplement, 2010, is amended to read:
- 5 32-524 (1) Except as provided in section 22-417:
- 6 (a) In counties having a population of seven thousand
- 7 inhabitants or more, there shall be elected one clerk of the district
- 8 court at the statewide general election in 1962 and every four years
- 9 thereafter; and
- 10 (b) In counties having a population of less than seven
- 11 thousand inhabitants, there shall be elected a clerk of the district
- 12 court at the first statewide general election following a
- 13 determination by the county board and the district judge for the
- 14 county that such officer should be elected and each four years
- 15 thereafter. When such a determination is not made in such a county,
- 16 the county clerk shall be ex officio clerk of the district court and
- 17 perform the duties by law devolving upon that officer.
- 18 (2) In any county upon presentation of a petition to the
- 19 county board (a) not less than sixty days before the statewide
- 20 general election in 1976 or every four years thereafter, (b) signed
- 21 by registered voters of the county equal in numbers to at least
- 22 fifteen percent of the total vote cast for Governor at the most
- 23 recent gubernatorial election in the county, secured in not less than
- 24 two-fifths of the townships or precincts of the county, and (c)
- 25 asking that the question of not electing a clerk of the district

1 court in the county be submitted to the registered voters therein,

- 2 the county board, at the next statewide general election, shall order
- 3 the submission of the question to the registered voters of the
- 4 county. The form of submission upon the ballot shall be as follows:
- 5 For election of a clerk of the district court;
- 6 Against election of a clerk of the district court.
- 7 (3) If a majority of the votes cast on the question are
- 8 against the election of a clerk of the district court in such county,
- 9 the duties of the clerk of the district court shall be performed by
- 10 the county clerk and the office of clerk of the district court shall
- 11 either cease with the expiration of the term of the incumbent or
- 12 continue to be abolished if no such office exists at such time.
- 13 (4) If a majority of the votes cast on the question are
- 14 in favor of the election of a clerk of the district court, the office
- 15 shall continue or a clerk of the district court shall be elected at
- 16 the next statewide general election as provided in subsection (1) of
- 17 this section.
- 18 (5) The term of the clerk of the district court shall be
- 19 four years or until his or her successor is elected and qualified.
- 20 The clerk of the district court shall meet the qualifications found
- 21 in section 24-337.04. The clerk of the district court shall be
- 22 elected on the partisan nonpartisan ballot.
- Sec. 10. Section 32-525, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 25 32-525 Except as provided in section 22-417, when there

1 is a qualified surveyor within a county who will accept the office of

- 2 county surveyor if elected, a county surveyor on either a full-time
- 3 or part-time basis, as determined by the county board in accordance
- 4 with section 23-1901, shall be elected in each county having a
- 5 population of less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants at the
- 6 statewide general election in 1990 and each four years thereafter.
- 7 The term of the county surveyor shall be four years or until his or
- 8 her successor is elected and qualified. The county surveyor shall
- 9 meet the qualifications found in sections 23-1901 and 23-1901.01. The
- 10 county surveyor shall be elected on the partisan nonpartisan ballot.
- 11 Sec. 11. Section 32-526, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 12 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 32-526 Except as provided in section 22-417, a county
- 14 engineer shall be elected in each county having a population of one
- 15 hundred fifty thousand inhabitants or more at the statewide general
- 16 election in 1990 and each four years thereafter. The term of the
- 17 county engineer shall be four years or until his or her successor is
- 18 elected and qualified. The county engineer shall meet the
- 19 qualifications found in section 23-1901. The county engineer shall be
- 20 elected on the partisan nonpartisan ballot.
- 21 Sec. 12. Section 32-528, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 22 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 32-528 (1) In counties having a county board of three
- 24 commissioners, two commissioners shall be elected at the statewide
- 25 general election in 1994 and each four years thereafter, and one

commissioner shall be elected at the statewide general election in 1 2 1996 and each four years thereafter. In counties having a county 3 board of five commissioners, three commissioners shall be elected at statewide general election in 1994 and each four years 4 5 thereafter, and two commissioners shall be elected at the statewide general election in 1996 and each four years thereafter. In counties 6 7 having a county board of seven or more commissioners, one 8 commissioner shall be elected in each odd-numbered commissioner district at the statewide general election in 1994 and each four 9 years thereafter, and one commissioner shall be elected in each even-10 11 numbered commissioner district at the statewide general election in 12 1996 and each four years thereafter.

13 (2) Except for commissioners first elected after the county adopts the commissioner form of government or has increased 14 15 the number of commissioners, the term of each county commissioner 16 shall be four years or until his or her successor is elected and qualified. At the first election held to choose the board of 17 18 commissioners in any county having three commissioners, the person 19 having the highest number of votes shall serve for four years and the 20 two receiving the next highest number of votes shall serve for two years, and if any three or more persons have the same number of 21 votes, their terms of office shall be determined by the county 22 23 county commissioners shall canvassing board. The meet qualifications found in section 23-150. Nothing in this section shall 24 25 be construed to prohibit the reelection of a commissioner holding

1 office if the commissioner is reelected to represent his or her

- 2 respective district. The county commissioners shall be elected on the
- 3 <u>partisan nonpartisan</u> ballot.
- 4 (3)(a) In counties having not more than one hundred fifty
- 5 thousand inhabitants, one commissioner shall be nominated and elected
- 6 from each district by the registered voters of the district.
- 7 (b) Until 2010, in counties having a population of more
- 8 than one hundred fifty thousand but not more than three hundred
- 9 thousand inhabitants, one commissioner shall be nominated from each
- 10 district by the registered voters of the district and shall be
- 11 elected by the registered voters of the entire county. Beginning in
- 12 2010 in counties having a population of more than one hundred fifty
- 13 thousand but not more than three hundred thousand inhabitants, one
- 14 commissioner shall be nominated and elected from each district by the
- 15 registered voters of the district as provided in subsection (5) of
- 16 this section.
- 17 (c) In counties having more than three hundred thousand
- 18 inhabitants, one commissioner shall be nominated and elected from
- 19 each district by the registered voters of the district.
- 20 (4) In counties in which a majority has voted to have
- 21 five commissioners as provided in section 23-148, the three
- 22 commissioners of such county whose terms of office will expire after
- 23 the election shall continue in office until the expiration of the
- 24 terms for which they were elected and until their successors are
- 25 elected and qualified. Two commissioners shall be appointed pursuant

1 to section 32-567 to serve until the first Thursday after the first

- 2 Tuesday in January following the next statewide general election. At
- 3 the next statewide general election, commissioners shall be elected
- 4 to fill the positions of any commissioners appointed under this
- 5 section. At the first primary election after such appointments,
- 6 filings shall be accepted for terms of two years and for terms of
- 7 four years so that two commissioners will be elected to four-year
- 8 terms at one election and three commissioners will be elected to
- 9 four-year terms at the next election.
- 10 (5) In counties having more than one hundred fifty
- 11 thousand but not more than three hundred thousand inhabitants which
- 12 are changing from nominating by district and electing at large to
- nominating and electing by district as provided in subdivision (3)(b)
- 14 of this section, the commissioners shall continue in office until the
- 15 expiration of the terms for which they were elected and until their
- 16 successors are elected and qualified. At the primary election in
- 17 2010, one commissioner in such counties shall be nominated from each
- 18 odd-numbered district. At the ensuing general election, one
- 19 commissioner shall be elected from each odd-numbered district. At the
- 20 primary election in 2012, one commissioner in such counties shall be
- 21 nominated from each even-numbered district. At the ensuing general
- 22 election, one commissioner shall be elected from each even-numbered
- 23 district.
- Sec. 13. Section 32-529, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 25 Nebraska, is amended to read:

1 32-529 At the first general election after the adoption 2 of township organization by a county, one supervisor shall be elected 3 in each supervisor district. Thereafter one supervisor shall be elected in each odd-numbered supervisor district at the general 4 5 election two years after the first general election and each four 6 years thereafter, and one supervisor shall be elected in each even-7 numbered supervisor district at the general election four years after 8 the first general election and each four years thereafter. Each county supervisor shall be nominated and elected by the registered 9 voters of the district from which he or she is elected. Except for 10 supervisors first elected after the county has adopted township 11 12 organization, the term of each county supervisor shall be four years 13 or until his or her successor is elected and qualified. The county supervisors shall meet the qualifications found in section 23-268. 14 15 The county supervisors shall be elected on the partisan nonpartisan 16 ballot. 17 Sec. 14. Section 32-557, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read: 18 32-557 All elective city, village, and school officers 19 20 shall be nominated and elected on a nonpartisan ballot. unless a city or village provides for a partisan ballot by ordinance. No ordinance 21 22 providing for nomination and election on a partisan ballot shall 23 permit affiliation with any party not recognized as a political party for purposes of the Election Act. Such ordinance providing for 24 25 nomination and election on a partisan ballot shall be adopted and

- 1 effective not less than sixty days prior to the filing deadline.
- 2 Sec. 15. Section 32-610, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 3 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 4 32-610 No person shall be allowed to file a candidate
- 5 filing form as a partisan candidate or to have his or her name placed
- 6 upon a primary election ballot of a political party unless (1) he or
- 7 she is a registered voter of the political party if required pursuant
- 8 to section 32-702 and (2) at the last election the political party
- 9 polled at least five percent of the entire vote in the state. 7
- 10 county, political subdivision, or district in which the candidate
- 11 seeks the nomination for office. A candidate filing form filed in
- 12 violation of this section shall be void.
- Sec. 16. Section 32-618, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 14 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 15 32-618 (1) The number of signatures of registered voters
- 16 needed to place the name of a candidate upon the nonpartisan ballot
- 17 for the general election shall be as follows:
- 18 (a) For each nonpartisan office other than members of the
- 19 Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska and board members of a
- 20 Class III school district, at least ten percent of the total number
- 21 of registered voters voting for Governor or President of the United
- 22 States at the immediately preceding general election in the district
- 23 or political subdivision in which the officer is to be elected, not
- 24 to exceed two thousand. If the district in which the petitions are
- 25 circulated comprises two or more counties, at least twenty-five

1 signatures shall be obtained in each county which has at least one

- 2 hundred registered voters in the district;
- 3 (b) For members of the Board of Regents of the University
- 4 of Nebraska, at least ten percent of the total number of registered
- 5 voters voting for Governor or President of the United States at the
- 6 immediately preceding general election in the regent district in
- 7 which the officer is to be elected, not to exceed one thousand. If
- 8 the regent district in which the petitions are circulated comprises
- 9 more than two counties, at least twenty-five signatures shall be
- 10 obtained in each of two-fifths of the counties comprising the
- 11 district; and
- 12 (c) For board members of a Class III school district, at
- 13 least twenty percent of the total number of votes cast for the board
- 14 member receiving the highest number of votes at the immediately
- 15 preceding general election in the school district.
- 16 (2) The number of signatures of registered voters needed
- 17 to place the name of a candidate upon the partisan ballot for the
- 18 general election shall be as follows:
- 19 (a) For each partisan office to be filled by the
- 20 registered voters of the entire state, at least four thousand, and at
- 21 least fifty signatures shall be obtained in each of one-third of the
- 22 counties in the state; and
- 23 (b) For each partisan office to be filled by the
- 24 registered voters of a county or political subdivision, district, at
- 25 least twenty percent of the total vote for Governor or President of

1 the United States at the immediately preceding general election

- 2 within the county or political subdivision, district, not to exceed
- 3 two thousand.
- 4 The number of signatures shall not be required to exceed
- 5 one-fourth of the total number of registered voters voting for the
- 6 office at the immediately preceding general election when the
- 7 nomination is for a partisan office to be filled by the registered
- 8 voters of a county.
- 9 Sec. 17. Section 32-810, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 10 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 11 32-810 (1) The election commissioner or county clerk
- 12 shall place the names of all partisan candidates certified to him or
- 13 her by the Secretary of State and of those partisan candidates filing
- 14 in his or her office on a primary election ballot headed with the
- 15 political party designation. The names of each nonpartisan candidate
- 16 certified by the Secretary of State and of each nonpartisan candidate
- 17 filing in the office of the election commissioner or county clerk
- 18 shall be placed on the primary election ballot headed by the words
- 19 Nonpartisan Ticket.
- 20 (2) If any office is not subject to the upcoming
- 21 election, the office shall be omitted from the ballot and the
- 22 remaining offices shall move up so that the same relative order is
- 23 preserved. The order of any offices may be altered to allow for the
- 24 best utilization of ballot space in order to avoid printing a second
- 25 ballot when one ballot would be sufficient if an optical-scan ballot

1 is used. All proposals on the ballot submitted by a political

- 2 subdivision shall follow all offices on the ballot for such political
- 3 subdivision.
- 4 (3) The election commissioner or county clerk shall
- 5 follow the order of precincts or wards as set out in the official
- 6 abstract book on file in his or her office in preparing the official
- 7 ballots. At the primary election, on the first set of ballots for the
- 8 first precinct or ward shall be the names of candidates filing by
- 9 date and hour as certified by the Secretary of State and for local
- 10 candidates the names of candidates shall be listed in the order of
- 11 filing by date and hour with the election commissioner or county
- 12 clerk. When there are more candidates than vacancies for the same
- 13 office, the names of all partisan and nonpartisan candidates at a
- 14 primary election shall be rotated precinct by precinct in each office
- 15 division in the order in which the precincts are set out in the
- 16 official abstract book. In making the changes of position, the
- 17 printer shall take the line of type at the head of each office
- 18 division and place it at the bottom of that division, shoving up the
- 19 column so that the name that was second shall be first after the
- 20 change.
- 21 Sec. 18. Original sections 32-312, 32-517, 32-518,
- 22 32-520, 32-521, 32-522, 32-523, 32-525, 32-526, 32-528, 32-529,
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