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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Bill Avery

Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Date of Hearing: February 01, 2012

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 757 changes the requirements of placing a candidate for a partisan office on the primary election ballot or filing as a partisan candidate.

No person is allowed to be placed on the primary ballot of a political party unless he or she is a registered voter of the party and at one of the two immediately preceding statewide general elections: a) a candidate nominated by the political party polled at least 5% of the entire vote in a statewide race or b) by a combination of candidates for a combination of districts that encompass the entire state, polled at least 5% of the vote in each of their respective districts.

The bill eliminates county, city and district parties.

Principal Introducer:	
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Senator Bill Avery