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LEGISLATIVE BILL 1110

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Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to school district bond elections; to amend
2 section 10-702, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change
3 procedures for calling an election; and to repeal the original
4 section.

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

1 Section 1. Section 10-702, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
2 amended to read:

3 10-702 The question of issuing school district bonds may be
4 submitted at a special election or such question may be voted on at an
5 election held in conjunction with the statewide primary or statewide
6 general election. No bonds shall be issued until the question has been
7 submitted to the qualified electors of the district and a majority of all
8 the qualified electors voting on the question have voted in favor of
9 issuing the same, at an election called for the purpose, upon notice
10 given by the officers of the district at least twenty days prior to such
11 election. If the election for issuing bonds is held as a special
12 election, the procedures provided in section 10-703.01 shall be followed.
13 The question of bond issues in such districts, when defeated, shall not,
14 except in case of fire or other disaster or in the case of a newly
15 created district, be resubmitted in substance for a period of six months
16 from and after the date of such election.

17 When the question of issuing bonds is to be submitted at a statewide
18 primary or statewide general election as ordered by a resolution of a
19 majority of the members of the board of education, such order shall be
20 made in writing and filed with the county clerk or election commissioner
21 by March 1 for not less than fifty days prior to the statewide primary
22 election or September 1 for the or statewide general election. The order
23 calling for the school bond election shall be filed with the county clerk
24 or election commissioner in the county having the greatest number of
25 electors entitled to vote on the question. The county clerk or election
26 commissioner receiving such order shall conduct the school bond election
27 for the school district as provided in the Election Act.

28 A special notice of the election shall be published by the board of
29 education in a newspaper or newspapers of general circulation within the
30 district stating the day of the election, the hours during which the
31 polls will be open, and any other information deemed necessary in

1 informing the public of the bond issue. The notice shall be made at least
2 twenty days prior to the election.

3 If the question of submitting bonds for the school district is voted
4 upon in one or more counties and the ballots have been certified across
5 county lines, the election boards in the counties where the ballots are
6 cast shall count the ballots on election day the same as all other
7 ballots are counted and seal the same in their ballots-cast container
8 along with other ballots.

9 The canvassing boards in each county shall canvass the returns in
10 the same manner as other returns are canvassed.

11 The county clerk or election commissioner in any adjoining county
12 voting on the bond issue shall certify the returns to the county clerk or
13 election commissioner of the county having the greatest number of
14 electors entitled to vote on the question of issuing bonds.

15 The county clerk or election commissioner in such county shall enter
16 the total returns from any adjoining county or counties to the total
17 votes recorded in his or her official book of votes cast and shall
18 certify the returns to the board of education for which such bond
19 election was held.

20 Sec. 2. Original section 10-702, Reissue Revised Statutes of
21 Nebraska, is repealed.