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LEGISLATIVE BILL 342

Introduced by La Grone, 49. Read first time January 16, 2019 Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to metropolitan utilities districts; to amend 2 sections 14-2103 and 32-607, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 3 2018; to change provisions relating to election of the board of 4 directors; and to repeal the original sections.

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

Section 1. Section 14-2103, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
 2018, is amended to read:

3 14-2103 Whenever a metropolitan utilities district is extended to include sanitary and improvement districts, unincorporated area, towns, 4 5 villages, or territory lying outside the corporate limits of cities of the metropolitan class or so extended as to include sanitary and 6 improvement districts, unincorporated area, towns, or villages in an 7 adjoining county or counties, then such sanitary and improvement 8 9 districts, unincorporated area, towns, or villages shall have a right to participate in the nomination and in the election of members of the board 10 of directors of the metropolitan utilities district. The election 11 commissioner or county clerk of each of the counties in which ballots are 12 13 cast pursuant to this section shall within seven days after the election 14 transmit, by mail or otherwise, to the Secretary of State election 15 commissioner of the county in which the city of the metropolitan class is 16 located, a copy of the abstract of the votes cast for members of the 17 board of directors. The <u>Secretary of State</u> election commissioner shall in due course deliver to the candidate receiving the highest number of votes 18 19 a certificate of election as a member of the board of directors. All Any and all filings for such office shall be made with the Secretary of State 20 21 election commissioner of the county in which the city of the metropolitan 22 class is located notwithstanding that the person wishing to file lives in a county adjoining the one in which the city of the metropolitan class is 23 24 located.

Sec. 2. Section 32-607, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
26 2018, is amended to read:

27 32-607 All candidate filing forms shall contain the following 28 statement: I hereby swear that I will abide by the laws of the State of 29 Nebraska regarding the results of the primary and general elections, that 30 I am a registered voter and qualified to be elected, and that I will 31 serve if elected. Candidate filing forms shall also contain the following

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information regarding the candidate: Name; residence address; mailing 1 2 address if different from the residence address; telephone number; office sought; party affiliation if the office sought is a partisan office; a 3 statement as to whether or not civil penalties are owed pursuant to the 4 Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act; and, if civil 5 penalties are owed, whether or not a surety bond has been filed pursuant 6 to subdivision (4)(b) of section 32-602. Candidate filing forms shall be 7 filed with the following filing officers: 8

9 (1) For candidates for national, state, or congressional office, directors of public power and irrigation districts, directors of 10 directors of reclamation districts, natural resources 11 districts, directors of metropolitan utilities districts, members of the boards of 12 educational service units, members of governing boards of community 13 colleges, delegates to national conventions, and other offices filled by 14 election held in more than one county and judges desiring retention, in 15 the office of the Secretary of State; 16

17 (2) For officers elected within a county, in the office of the18 election commissioner or county clerk;

19 (3) For officers in school districts which include land in adjoining 20 counties, in the office of the election commissioner or county clerk of 21 the county in which the greatest number of registered voters entitled to 22 vote for the officers reside; and

(4) For city or village officers, in the office of the election
commissioner or county clerk.

Sec. 3. Original sections 14-2103 and 32-607, Revised Statutes
Cumulative Supplement, 2018, are repealed.

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