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H.B. No. 544

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the filing of an application for a place on the general primary election ballot.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 172.022(a), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) An application for a place on the general primary election ballot must be filed with:

(1) the state chair, for an office filled by voters of more than one county; ~~[or]~~

(2) the county chair or the secretary, if any, of the county executive committee, for an office other than state senator or state representative filled by voters of a single county; or

(3) the state chair or the county chair or the secretary, if any, of the county executive committee, for the office of state senator or state representative filled by the voters of a single county.

SECTION 2. Section 172.052(b), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A withdrawal request for the general primary must be filed with the authority with whom the withdrawing candidate's application for a place on the ballot was ~~[is required to be]~~ filed.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.