

Enrolled
House Bill 3148

Sponsored by Representative CANNON

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to voters' pamphlet; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 251.095 and 251.115.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 251.095 is amended to read:

251.095. (1) For space in the voters' pamphlet:

(a) Each candidate for nomination or election to the office of President or Vice President of the United States shall, at the time materials are filed under ORS 251.065, pay a fee of \$3,500 to the Secretary of State or may submit a petition in a form prescribed by the secretary containing the signatures of 500 **active** electors **of the state**.

(b) Each candidate for nomination or election to the office of United States Senator or any state office to be voted for in the state at large shall, at the time materials are filed under ORS 251.065, pay a fee of \$3,000 to the Secretary of State or may submit a petition in a form prescribed by the secretary containing the signatures of 500 **active** electors **of the state**.

(c) Each candidate for nomination or election to the office of Representative in Congress shall, at the time materials are filed under ORS 251.065, pay a fee of \$2,500 to the Secretary of State or may submit a petition in a form prescribed by the secretary containing the signatures of 300 **active** electors **of the candidate's electoral district**.

(d) Each candidate for nomination or election to the office of state Senator or state Representative shall, at the time materials are filed under ORS 251.065, pay a fee of \$750 to the Secretary of State or may submit a petition in a form prescribed by the secretary containing the signatures of [300] **200 active** electors **of the candidate's electoral district**.

(e) Each candidate for nomination or election to any other office shall, at the time materials are filed under ORS 251.065, pay a fee of \$600 to the Secretary of State or may submit a petition in a form prescribed by the secretary containing the signatures of [300] **200 active** electors **of the candidate's electoral district**.

(2) The signatures on a petition submitted under subsection (1) of this section shall be certified by the county clerk in the manner provided in ORS 249.008 **or by the Secretary of State**. The petition shall be filed with the Secretary of State.

(3) The space allotted to each candidate shall be used for materials filed under ORS 251.065, including the portrait and statement of reasons the candidate should be nominated or elected and the information required under ORS 251.085. If a portrait is not filed, the statement may cover the entire allotted space. The length of the statement shall not exceed 325 words. All candidates shall be allowed the same amount of space. The Secretary of State by rule shall prescribe the size of the space allotted to each candidate, except that the space may not be smaller than 30 square inches.

SECTION 2. ORS 251.115 is amended to read:

251.115. (1) Not later than the 70th day before the general election, the party officers as designated in the organizational documents of any statewide political party or assembly of electors having nominated candidates may file with the Secretary of State a printed or typewritten statement of arguments for the success of its principles and election of its candidates on a statewide basis and opposing the principles and candidates of other political parties or organizations on a statewide basis.

(2) Not later than the 70th day before the general election, the party officers as designated in the organizational documents of any less than statewide political party or assembly of electors having nominated candidates may file with the Secretary of State a typewritten statement of arguments for the success of its principles and election of its candidates on a county basis and opposing the principles and candidates of other political parties or organizations on a county basis.

(3)(a) Any statewide political party or assembly of electors having nominated candidates shall pay a fee of \$1,200 to the Secretary of State when the statement is filed or may submit a petition in a form prescribed by the secretary containing the signatures of 500 **active** electors.

(b) Any less than statewide political party or assembly of electors having nominated candidates shall pay a fee of \$600 to the Secretary of State when the statement is filed or may submit a petition in a form prescribed by the secretary containing the signatures of 300 **active** electors.

(c) The signatures on a petition submitted under this subsection shall be certified by the county clerk in the manner provided in ORS 249.008 **or by the Secretary of State**. The petition shall be filed with the Secretary of State.

(4) The Secretary of State by rule shall prescribe the size of the statements permitted under this section, except that any statewide political party or assembly of electors having nominated candidates shall be allotted more space than any less than statewide political party or assembly of electors having nominated candidates.

(5) **For purposes of this section, an "active elector" is a person whose registration is considered active as described in ORS 247.013.**

SECTION 3. The amendments to ORS 251.095 and 251.115 by sections 1 and 2 of this 2011 Act apply to space in voters' pamphlets prepared on or after the effective date of this 2011 Act.

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