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HB 2176 Elections Law Housekeeping Bill

Summary: HB 2176 makes technical amendments to state elections law to improve clarity and consistency.

What the bill does:

- Removes requirement that persons elected to county office provide county clerk with certificate of election.
- Permits or requires certain elections documents and voters' pamphlet materials to be filed electronically.
- Alters certain filing deadlines.
- Modifies processes related to Initiative and Referendum.
- Makes candidate's statement for voters' pamphlet subject to prohibition on and penalties for false publication.
- Aligns special district elections processes related local ballot measures with analogous city and county processes.
- Makes changes related to campaign finance filings.
- Allows the Secretary of State to provide certain notifications to private parties through electronic means, in addition to or instead of by first-class mail.

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