

Enrolled
House Bill 2855

Sponsored by Representative WHISNANT; Representative WILLIAMSON

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to write-in nominations; amending ORS 254.548; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 254.548, as amended by section 4, chapter 67, Oregon Laws 2014, and section 4, chapter 112, Oregon Laws 2014, is amended to read:

254.548. (1) An individual nominated or elected to a public office by write-in votes shall sign and file a form indicating that the individual accepts the nomination or office before the filing officer may issue a certificate of nomination or election. The Secretary of State by rule shall prescribe the form to be used under this section.

(2) In the case of an individual nominated or elected by write-in votes to a public office:

(a) Not later than the 27th day after the election, the filing officer shall:

(A) Prepare and deliver **by regular mail** the form described in subsection (1) of this section to the individual; **and**

(B) **If the filing officer has the electronic mail address of the individual, prepare and deliver by electronic mail the form described in subsection (1) of this section to the individual;**

(b) Not later than the 35th day after the election, if the individual accepts the nomination or office, the individual shall sign and file the form with the filing officer; and

(c) Not later than the 40th day after the election, if the individual files the form by the deadline specified in paragraph (b) of this subsection, the filing officer shall prepare and deliver a certificate of nomination or election to the individual and, if applicable, issue a proclamation declaring the election of the candidate to the office.

SECTION 2. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect on its passage.

Passed by House March 24, 2015

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Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House

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Tina Kotek, Speaker of House

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Peter Courtney, President of Senate

Received by Governor:

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Approved:

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Kate Brown, Governor

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Jeanne P. Atkins, Secretary of State