

FINAL BILL REPORT

EHB 1071

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Synopsis As Enacted

Brief Description: Changing provisions relating to the appointment of precinct election officers.

By Representatives Anderson, McLean, R. Fisher, Moyer, Dorn, Chandler, Sheldon, Bowman, Winsley, Broback, Edmondson, Paris, Holland, D. Sommers, May, Wynne, Brumsickle, Nealey, Miller, P. Johnson, Casada, Wood, Forner and Mitchell.

House Committee on State Government
Senate Committee on Governmental Operations

Background: The Election Code requires the chair of each county central committee to submit to the county auditor a list of persons qualified to act as polling place officials on a precinct's election board. The list must be submitted at least 60 days before a primary or election. The auditor must appoint the officials from the names of persons on these lists.

Summary: Lists of persons qualified to serve as polling place officials must be submitted by the chairs of the county central committees to the county auditor by June 1st of each year. The auditor may delete the names of persons from these lists (called nomination lists) if the persons: indicate to the auditor that they cannot or do not wish to serve as such officials or cannot otherwise so serve; or lack the ability to conduct properly the duties of such an election officer after training has been made available to them by the auditor. If the number of names on the list of a political party is not sufficient to supply the number of election officials needed from that party, the auditor must provide a deficiency notice to the chair of the county central committee of that party. The chair has five days after notification to add names to the list. Afterward, if the lists from the political parties are still not sufficient to supply the number of election officers needed, the auditor may appoint a properly trained person not on the lists.

Provisions allocating positions on a three-member election board between political parties apply only if the number of names on the parties' nomination lists for these positions is sufficient to satisfy the allocation requirement.

Votes on Final Passage:

House	96	0
Senate	45	0

Effective: July 28, 1991