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HB2289: challengers; polling places; tabulation observation Sponsor: Representative Fillmore, LD 16 Caucus & COW

Overview

Outlines requirements relating to appointed political party challengers for polling places.

<u>History</u>

Current statute allows that for each precinct, the county chairman of each party may designate a party representative and alternatives for a polling place who may act as challengers for the party which appointed them. One challenger for each party may be present, but no challenger shall enter the voting booth except to mark their ballot (A.R.S. § 16-590).

Not more than the number of party representatives for each party, which were mutually agreed upon by each political party represented on the ballot, is allowed to be in the polling place at one time. If a party cannot come to an agreement, the number of representatives are limited to one in the polling place for each political party (A.R.S. § 16-590).

Provisions

- 1. Requires, rather than allows, the county chairman for each party to designate a party agent or representative and alternates for a polling place who act as challengers for the party that appointed them. (Sec. 1)
- 2. Specifies that the designated challenger for a political party *must* be present and act at a polling place but is prohibited from entering a voting booth except to mark that challenger's ballot. (Sec. 1)
- 3. Stipulates that only one challenger from each political party represented on the ballot shall be present at the polling place at one time. (Sec. 1)
- 4. Requires the challengers to remain in the polling place until completion of voting tabulation and transmittal or delivery of those results to the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections. (Sec. 1).
- 5. Make technical and conforming changes. (Sec. 1)

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