

HOUSE BILL No. 2752

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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1 AN ACT concerning elections; requiring candidates for state and federal
2 office to provide proof of citizenship.

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4 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

5 Section 1. K.S.A. 25-202 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-
6 202. (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) all candidates for
7 national, state, county and township offices shall be nominated by: (1) A
8 primary election held in accordance with article 2 of chapter 25 of the
9 Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto; or (2) independent
10 nomination petitions signed and filed as provided by existing statutes.

11 (b) Candidates for any of such offices who are members of any
12 political party whose candidate for governor did not poll at least 5% of the
13 total vote cast for all candidates for governor in the preceding general
14 election shall not be entitled to nomination by primary election but shall be
15 nominated by a delegate or mass convention according to article 3 of
16 chapter 25 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto.

17 (c) No candidate for any national, state, county or township office
18 shall file for office as a partisan candidate in a primary election and also
19 file for office as an independent candidate for any national, state, county or
20 township office in the general election immediately following.

21 (d) The provisions of article 2 of chapter 25 of the Kansas Statutes
22 Annotated, and amendments thereto, shall not apply to the justices of the
23 supreme court or to judges of the district court in judicial districts which
24 have approved the proposition of nonpartisan selection of district court
25 judges, as provided in K.S.A. 20-2901, and amendments thereto, nor to
26 special elections to fill vacancies.

27 (e) *A candidate for any national or state office who seeks nomination*
28 *by either primary election or petition pursuant to subsection (a) shall*
29 *show proof of United States citizenship to the secretary of state in the form*
30 *of a certified copy of the candidate's birth certificate and the candidate's*
31 *drivers license or other government-issued identification.*

32 New Sec. 2. (a) The national political party committee for a
33 candidate for president for a party that is entitled to continued
34 representation on the ballot shall provide to the secretary of state written
35 notice of that party's nomination of its candidates for president and vice-
36 president. Within 10 days after the submittal of the names of the

1 candidates, the national political party committee shall submit proof that
2 each candidate is a natural born citizen and is 35 years of age or older to
3 the secretary of state in the form of certified copies of the candidates' birth
4 certificates and the candidates' drivers licenses or other government issued
5 identification.

6 (b) If the national political party committee does not submit the
7 documents required by this section, the secretary of state shall not place
8 those candidates' names on the ballot in this state.

9 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 25-202 is hereby repealed.

10 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
11 publication in the statute book.

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