

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 24, 2021

3 SENATE BILL NO. 253

By: Rader of the Senate

4 and

5 Crosswhite Hader of the
6 House

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8 An Act relating to candidate filing for elective
9 office; amending 26 O.S. 2011, Section 5-111, as last
10 amended by Section 1, Chapter 402, O.S.L. 2013 (26
11 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 5-111), which relates to
12 declaration of candidacy forms; adding information to
13 be included on declaration of candidacy form; and
14 providing an effective date.

15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 5-111, as
17 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 402, O.S.L. 2013 (26 O.S. Supp.
18 2020, Section 5-111), is amended to read as follows:

19 Section 5-111. A. Forms to be used for filing Declarations of
20 Candidacy shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the State Election
21 Board and shall contain the following information:

- 22 1. The name of the candidate as it shall appear on the ballot;
- 23 2. The legal name of the candidate;
- 24 3. The candidate's place of residence and mailing address;
4. The name of the office sought;

1 5. The candidate's date of birth;

2 6. The party affiliation of the candidate seeking political
3 party nomination and the date the candidate registered as a voter of
4 the political party;

5 7. The voter registration identification number of the
6 candidate and the precinct and county wherein the candidate is a
7 registered voter;

8 8. An oath wherein the candidate swears or affirms that he or
9 she is qualified to become a candidate for the office sought, and
10 that, if elected, the candidate will be qualified to hold the
11 office; and

12 9. Any additional information which the Secretary deems
13 necessary.

14 B. If the candidate has ever been ultimately determined by a
15 court of proper authority to be guilty of an offense specified in
16 subsection A of Section 5-105a of this title or at the time of
17 filing the Declaration of Candidacy is named in an outstanding
18 warrant for arrest for such an offense, in this or any other state,
19 the candidate shall provide the following information on a form
20 prescribed by the Secretary of the State Election Board:

21 1. The name of the offense;

22 2. The date of conviction or issuance of the outstanding
23 warrant; and

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1 3. The county and state of conviction or issuance of the
2 outstanding warrant.

3 The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to an offense
4 for which the candidate has received a pardon.

5 C. A Declaration of Candidacy form must be signed by the
6 candidate, and the signature must be properly notarized by a notary
7 public or other person authorized by law to administer oaths.

8 D. In addition to the information required by this section, a
9 candidate may include a telephone number, email address and website
10 address. Such additional information shall not be required of any
11 candidate but if provided shall be made available to the public.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

13 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES
14 February 24, 2021 - DO PASS

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