## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0019

Election code revisions-2.

Sponsored by: Joint Corporations, Elections and Political Subdivisions Interim Committee

## A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to elections; authorizing political parties
- 2 to set their own convention and meeting dates; prohibiting
- 3 unsuccessful candidates at a primary election from seeking
- 4 the same office at the ensuing general election in any
- 5 manner; requiring specified election forms to contain the
- 6 address of the candidate; making conforming amendments; and
- 7 providing for an effective date.

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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

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- 11 **Section 1.** W.S. 22-2-110(a), 22-4-105, 22-4-106,
- 12 22-4-110, 22-4-111, 22-4-115, 22-5-204(b), 22-5-205(a),
- 13 22-5-301, 22-5-302, 22-22-202(a) and 22-29-110(b) are
- 14 amended to read:

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16 **22-2-110**. Computing periods of time.

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2 (a) Periods of time are computed by excluding the 3 specific day and counting the prescribed number of days, 4 including Saturdays, Sundays and full legal holidays. 5 Except as provided by W.S. 22-4-115, If the first day of a time period falls on a Saturday, Sunday or full legal 6 holiday, the preceding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday 7 or full legal holiday shall be used. If the last day of a 8 9 time period falls on a Saturday, Sunday or full legal 10 holiday, the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or

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22-4-105. County central committee odd year meeting;

14 notice; election of chairman, state committeeman and

15 committeewoman.

full legal holiday shall be used.

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17 The county central committee shall meet at the county seat during the month of March of each odd-numbered year at a 18 19 time and place determined by the county chairman. The 20 county chairman shall publish notice of the meeting in a 21 newspaper of general circulation within the county not less 22 than ten (10) days before this meeting. At the meeting, the county central committee shall elect the chairman of the 23 24 county central committee, one (1) state committeeman and

- 1 one (1) state committeewoman and other offices as provided
- by the party bylaws. A state political party may provide in 2
- 3 its rules for the election of additional state committeemen
- 4 and additional state committeewomen. Neither the chairman,
- 5 state committeeman or state committeewoman need be members
- of the county central committee. 6

22-4-106. County convention. 8

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- The county convention of each political party shall meet on 10
- the first Friday after the first Tuesday of March in 11
- 12 even-numbered years.

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22-4-110. Composition of state central committee. 14

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- 16 The state central committee consists of state committeemen
- 17 and committeewomen and county chairmen elected at the March
- 18 odd-numbered year meeting of the county central committees,
- 19 and of any other party officials provided by the bylaws of
- 20 the party.

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- 22-4-111. State central committee organizational 22
- meeting; notice. 23

- 1 The state central committee shall hold an organizational
- meeting during the last fifteen (15) days in April of in 2
- 3 odd-numbered years, at which it shall elect from electors
- 4 registered in the party a chairman, secretary and other
- 5 officers as provided in the rules of the party. The state
- chairman shall mail notice of the time and place of this 6
- 7 meeting to each member of the committee not later than ten
- (10) days before the meeting. 8

10 22-4-115. Date of party state convention.

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- 12 Each political party shall hold a state convention on one
- (1) of the first three (3) Saturdays in May of in 13
- 14 even-numbered years.

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- 16 22-5-204. Application for nomination or election;
- 17 party registration; form.

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- 19 (b) An eligible person seeking nomination or election
- 20 for a partisan office shall be registered in the party
- 21 whose nomination he seeks and shall file an application in
- 22 substantially the following form:

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24 APPLICATION FOR NOMINATION OR ELECTION BY PARTY PRIMARY

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    State of Wyoming )
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                       ) ss
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    County of ....
5
         I, ...., swear or affirm that I was born on ....,
    .... (year), that I have been a resident of the state of
 6
    Wyoming since ...., and that I am a registered voter of
7
    Election District No. ..., in Precinct No. ..., residing
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    at ...., in County of ...., (if for the office of state
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    senator or representative) in Senate (House) District ....,
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    state of Wyoming, and registered as a member of .... party,
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    and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the
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    official party ballot at the next primary election as a
14
    candidate for the office of ...., and hereby declare that
    if nominated and elected, I will qualify for the office.
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        Dated the .... day of ...., .... (year).
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                              .....(Signature)
                              ..... (Residence Address)
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        22-5-205. Nomination application form for nonpartisan
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    office.
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         (a) An eligible person seeking nomination for a
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    nonpartisan office must file an application in
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    substantially the following form:
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         APPLICATION FOR NOMINATION BY NONPARTISAN PRIMARY
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    State of Wyoming )
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                       ) ss
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    County of ....
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11
         I, ...., swear or affirm that I was born on ...., that
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    I have been a resident of the State of Wyoming since ....,
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    and that I am a registered voter of .... County, residing
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    at ...., and that I am eligible to be elected to such
    office, and I hereby request that my name be printed upon
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    the official nonpartisan ballot at the next primary
    election as a candidate for the office indicated below as
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    follows:
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        Justice of the peace.
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         I am seeking (1) the regular term or (2) the unexpired
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    term which terminates on the .... day of ...., .... (year).
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        Dated this .... day of ...., .... (year).
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                              ..... Signature
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1	22-5-301. Independent partisan candidates; form.
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3	(a) Independent candidates for partisan public
4	offices may be nominated by filing a signed petition in
5	substantially the following form:
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7	PETITION FOR NOMINATION
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9	I,, swear or affirm that I was born on,
10	(year), that I have been a resident of the State of
11	Wyoming since, and that I am a registered voter of
12	Election District No, in Precinct No, County of
13	, residing at, (if for the office of state senator
14	or representative) in Senate (House) District, State
15	of Wyoming, and having obtained the number of signatures
16	required by law for nomination by petition, I hereby
17	request that my name be printed on the official ballot at
18	the next general election as an independent candidate for
19	the office of and declare that if nominated and
20	elected, I will qualify for the office.
21	Dated the day of, (year).
22	(Signature)
23	(Residence Address)

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    The eligible, registered electors supporting my nomination,
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    and numbering not less than two percent (2%) of the total
3
   number of votes cast for Representative in Congress at the
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    last general election in the political subdivision for
5
    which this petition is filed, are as follows:
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7
          (Signature) (Printed Name) (Residence) (Date)
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                  VERIFICATION BY CIRCULATORS
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    I, ...., do hereby certify that I am a circulator of this
   petition, and I solely and personally circulated this
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   petition, that all the signatures appearing herein were
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         in
            my presence from .... (month) .... (day),
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    \dots (year) through \dots (month) \dots (day), \dots (year), and
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   to the best of my knowledge and belief such signatures are
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    those of the persons whose names they purport to be.
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                                  ..... (Signature)
23
                                  ..... (Residence Address)
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1	22-5-302. Unsuccessful primary candidates precluded.
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3	An unsuccessful candidate for office at a primary election
4	may not seek nomination by petition, nor as a write-in
5	<pre>candidate, for the same office filled at the next general</pre>
6	election.
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8	22-22-202. Filing of application; form.
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10	(a) A qualified elector may be nominated for the
11	office of school district trustee or member of a community
12	college board by filing an application for election in the
13	office of the county clerk not more than ninety (90) nor
14	less than seventy (70) days prior to the election. The
15	application shall be in substantially the following form:
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17	APPLICATION FOR ELECTION FOR SCHOOL OR
18	COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEE
19	
20	I, the undersigned, swear or affirm that I was born on
21	,(year), and that I have been a resident of the
22	State of Wyoming since, and that I am a registered
23	voter of the school district or community college
24	district (and resident of trustee residence area or

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    subdistrict ...., if any), residing at ...., and I do
    hereby request that my name, ...., be printed on the ballot
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    of the election to be held on the .... day of ....,
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    .... (year), as a candidate for the office of .... for a
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    term of .... years. I hereby declare that if I am elected,
    I will qualify for the office.
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    Dated: ....
9
                            ..... (Signature of Candidate)
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                    .... Name as it is to appear on the ballot
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                            ..... (Residence Address)
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         22-29-110. County clerk to publish proclamation;
    filing period.
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         (b) Not more than thirty-nine (39) and not less than
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    thirty (30) days before the formation election, candidates
    may file an application for election in the office of the
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    county clerk. The principal act shall determine who is
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    eligible to be a candidate. The application shall be in
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    substantially the following form:
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                     APPLICATION FOR ELECTION
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                     SPECIAL DISTRICT DIRECTOR
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2	I, the undersigned, swear or affirm that I was born on
3	, (year); that I have been a resident of district
4	since, residing at; that I am an elector or
5	landowner (check which one for eligibility) of said
6	district and I do hereby request that my name,, be
7	printed on the ballot of the formation (or other) election
8	to be held on day of, (year) as a candidate for
9	the office of director for a term of years. I hereby
10	declare that if I am elected, I will qualify for the
11	office.
12	Dated
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14	Signature of Candidate
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16	Residence Address
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18	Section 2. This act is effective immediately upon
19	completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
20	as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
21	Constitution.

23 (END)