HB1319_L.021
SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT
Committee on <u>State, Veterans, & Military Affairs</u>.
<u>HB25-1319</u> be amended as follows:

1   Amend reengrossed bill, page 3, strike lines 13 through 27.

2   Page 4, strike lines 1 through 12.

3   Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

4   Page 5, line 7, after "(8)" insert "and (9)".

5   Page 5, line 9, strike "**election.**" and substitute "**election - repeal.**".

6   Page 6, line 6, after "1-4-1010," insert "UNLESS THE POLITICAL PARTY HAS
7   VOTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (9) OF THIS SECTION TO CONTINUE TO
8   FILL VACANCIES BY VACANCY COMMITTEE ACCORDING TO SUBSECTION (1)
9   OF THIS SECTION,".

10   Page 11, after line 16 insert:
11   "(9) (a) A POLITICAL PARTY MAY CHOOSE TO CONTINUE TO FILL A
12   VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER BY VACANCY
13   COMMITTEE ACCORDING TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION RATHER
14   THAN BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION PROCESS
15   ESTABLISHED BY SUBSECTION (8) OF THIS SECTION IF AT LEAST
16   THREE-FOURTHS OF THE TOTAL VOTING MEMBERSHIP OF THE PARTY'S
17   STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE AFFIRMATIVELY VOTES TO DO SO. SUCH VOTE
18   OF THE PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE MUST OCCUR NO LATER THAN
19   OCTOBER 1 OF THE YEAR PRECEDING THE YEAR IN WHICH A COUNTY
20   COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION WOULD BE HELD. FOR PURPOSES OF
21   THIS VOTE, MEMBERS OF THE STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE SHALL NOT
22   VOTE BY PROXY.
23   (b) (I) A POLITICAL PARTY MAY CHOOSE TO OPT OUT OF A COUNTY
24   COMMISSIONER VACANCY ELECTION TO BE HELD IN NOVEMBER 2025 IF AT
25   LEAST THREE-FOURTHS OF THE TOTAL VOTING MEMBERSHIP OF THE
26   PARTY'S STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE AFFIRMATIVELY VOTES TO CONTINUE
27   TO FILL A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER BY
28   VACANCY COMMITTEE ACCORDING TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.
29   SUCH VOTE OF THE PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE MUST OCCUR NO LATER
30   THAN JUNE 30, 2025. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS VOTE, MEMBERS OF THE
31   STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE SHALL NOT VOTE BY PROXY.
32   (II) THIS SUBSECTION (9)(b) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,
33   2026.".

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