

Amendment to HB 1381

1 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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3 1 Candidate Filing; No Declaration Filed. Amend RSA 655:32, I to read as follows:

4 I. In case no declaration shall be filed by a candidate for any nomination to be voted for at a
5 primary, the nomination may be made by the appropriate party committee as provided in this
6 section. The *chairperson of the* appropriate party committee shall notify the secretary of state in
7 writing of a person it designates to fill the vacancy. The person so designated may accept the
8 nomination by ~~on or before the Wednesday following the expiration of the period for filing~~
9 ~~declarations of candidacy as provided in RSA 655:14,~~ filing with the secretary of state a declaration
10 of candidacy as provided in RSA 655:17 ***within 10 business days following the close of the***
11 ***candidate filing period established by RSA 655:14.*** Any candidate accepting a nomination
12 under this paragraph who has already filed for an incompatible office as defined in RSA 655:10 shall
13 withdraw the prior filing. Any vacancy created by the withdrawal of a filing may be filled pursuant
14 to this section. If the candidate is designated for the office of governor, councilor, state senator, or
15 state representative, he or she shall also file on or before the Wednesday following the period for
16 filing declarations of candidacy the appropriate affidavit as provided in RSA 655:29. Any candidate
17 so designated by a party committee who has not filed all the forms required by this section within
18 the required period of time shall not have his or her name printed on the state primary election
19 ballot for that office.

20 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.