The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Matt DeVille.

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<u>Present law</u> provides that action objecting to candidacy shall be commenced in a court of competent jurisdiction within seven days after the close of qualifications for candidates in the primary election exclusive of legal holidays.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and further provides that neither the secretary of the Department of Revenue nor any employee engaged in the administration or charged with the custody of any records or files of the Department of Revenue shall be subject to subpoen or otherwise required to appear in court for any challenge to candidacy filed pursuant to <u>present law</u>.

<u>Proposed law</u> further provides that a properly executed affidavit issued by the secretary of the Department of Revenue or his designee shall serve as sufficient confirmation as to the accuracy of the records and files of the secretary in lieu of live testimony.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 18:493; adds R.S. 47:1508(A)(4))