
DIGEST

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HB 351 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Provides penalties for when a candidate attests to false information in a notice of candidacy.

Present law provides that a qualified elector may bring an action objecting to candidacy under certain circumstances. Further provides for other contests and challenges.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law provides that a candidate who attests to false information in a notice of candidacy shall have court costs and attorney fees assessed against them. Further provides that the court may impose further sanctions if deemed appropriate.

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

(Adds R.S. 18:1401(G))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to the original bill:

1. Revise proposed law to provide that upon a determination that a candidate knowingly attested to false information in a notice of candidacy the court shall assess court costs and attorney fees and that the court may impose against the candidate any other sanction that the court deems appropriate.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Provide for an effective date.