
**Government Operations & Elections
Committee**

HB 1195

Brief Description: Repealing provisions relating to filling unexpired terms.

Sponsors: Representatives Wylie, Buys, Hunt, Van De Wege, Appleton, Orwall, Ryu and Jinkins.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Repeals provisions that allow for no primary to be held to fill an unexpired term of any office if no more than two candidates have filed a declaration of candidacy.

Hearing Date: 1/24/13

Staff: Marsha Reilly (786-7135).

Background:

If a special election is required in an odd-numbered year to fill a vacancy in any office that is scheduled to be voted upon for a full term in an even-numbered year, no primary election may be held if no more than two candidates have filed a declaration of candidacy for the office.

Summary of Bill:

The provisions that prohibit a primary election in an odd-numbered year to fill a vacancy in any office that is scheduled to be voted upon for a full term in an even-numbered year are repealed.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on 1/22/13.

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Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.