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By Representative Walsh

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1 On page 2, line 31, after "ballot" strike "for that party" 2 3 On page 3, line 14, after "party" insert ". Each ballot must also 4 contain a list of all candidates who have been submitted under section 5 2 of this act, in alphabetical order regardless of party, for use by 6 voters who choose not to declare a party affiliation" 7 8 On page 4, line 5, after "party" insert "and from the list of 9 candidates to be used by voters who choose not to declare a party 10 affiliation" 11 On page 4, line 10, after "(4)" insert "Voters also must be 12 13 allowed to declare an intention to not affiliate with a party. Voters 14 who declare that they do not affiliate with a party or do not 15 subscribe to a party declaration may vote for any candidate from the 16 list of all candidates described in section 3(3) of this act. Votes 17 cast under this subsection must be tabulated together and reported 18 separately from the results of voters who declare a party affiliation. 19 A major political party may choose whether or not to use these votes 20 in its allocation of delegates under the rules of that party.

EFFECT: Permits voters who declare an intent not to affiliate with a party and voters who do not subscribe to a party declaration to vote for a candidate from a list of all candidates of any political party. Permits a party to choose whether or not to use votes of unaffiliated voters when allocating delegates to the party's national nominating convention.

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