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LCO No. 3864



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:
(GAE)

***AN ACT CONCERNING MINOR PARTY CANDIDATE
CERTIFICATIONS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 9-452 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2015*):

3 All minor parties nominating candidates for any elective office shall
4 make such nominations and certify and file a list of such nominations,
5 as required by this section, not later than the sixty-second day prior to
6 the day of the election at which such candidates are to be voted for. A
7 list of nominees in printed or typewritten form that includes each
8 candidate's name as authorized by each candidate to appear on the
9 ballot, [the signature of each candidate,] the full street address of each
10 candidate and the title and district of the office for which each
11 candidate is nominated shall be certified by the presiding officer of the
12 committee, meeting or other authority making such nomination and
13 shall be filed by such presiding officer with the Secretary of the State,
14 in the case of state or district office or the municipal office of state

15 representative, state senator or judge of probate, or with the clerk of
16 the municipality, in the case of any other municipal office, not later
17 than the sixty-second day prior to the day of the election. All minor
18 parties shall send via first-class mail written notification to each
19 candidate of any such nomination and shall send a copy of such
20 notification to the Secretary of the State or the clerk of the
21 municipality, as appropriate, not later than the sixty-second day prior
22 to the day of the election. The registrars of voters of [such] a
23 municipality shall promptly verify and correct the names on any such
24 list [filed with him] of nominations filed with the clerk of the
25 municipality, or the names of nominees forwarded to [the clerk of the
26 municipality] such clerk by the Secretary of the State, in accordance
27 with the registry list of such municipality and endorse the same as
28 having been so verified and corrected. For purposes of this section, a
29 list of nominations shall be deemed to be filed when it is received by
30 the Secretary or clerk, as appropriate.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	9-452

Statement of Purpose:

To (1) remove the requirement that a person nominated by a minor party as a candidate for elective office must sign the nomination form to be filed with the Secretary of the State or the clerk of the municipality, as the case may be, and (2) ensure such person is made aware that he or she has been so nominated and can accordingly, under section 9-460, decline such nomination by advising the Secretary or clerk, as the case may be, of his or her withdrawal.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]