

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 433, As Amended

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 34-702A, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS FOR DECLARATION OF INTENT FOR WRITE-IN CANDIDATES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 34-702A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

34-702A. DECLARATION OF INTENT FOR WRITE-IN CANDIDATES. No write-in vote for any office in a primary, special, or general election shall be counted unless a declaration of intent has been filed indicating that the person desires the office and is legally qualified to assume the duties of said office if elected. The declaration of intent shall be filed with the secretary of state if for a federal, state, or legislative district office and with the county clerk if for a county office. Such declaration of intent shall be filed not later than ~~fourteen~~ twenty-eight (28) days before the day of election. The secretary of state shall prescribe the form for said declaration.

In those counties which utilize optical scan ballots an elector shall not place on the ballot a sticker bearing the name of a person, or use any other method or device, except writing, to vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot.

SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after its passage and approval.