

Amendment No. 2 to HB1278

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Signature of Sponsor**

AMEND Senate Bill No. 1009*

House Bill No. 1278

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-5-101, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

() Notwithstanding subdivisions (f)(1), (f)(2), and (f)(4), if an incumbent member of the general assembly who has filed a petition for reelection is disqualified by the political party executive committee under § 2-5-204, then the incumbent member of the general assembly may file a new petition for the same office as a candidate for another political party or as an independent candidate. Notwithstanding the filing deadlines in this section, an incumbent member of the general assembly filing a petition under this subsection () shall file the petition no later than ninety (90) days before:

(1) The primary election, if the incumbent is filing a petition as a candidate for another political party; or

(2) The general election, if the incumbent is filing a petition as an independent candidate.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to the 2020 election and all subsequent elections.