

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 54th Legislature (2013)

3 SENATE BILL 668

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to formation of political parties;
8 amending 26 O.S. 2011, Section 1-108, which relates
9 to procedures for formation; modifying signature
requirement for petition; and providing an effective
date.

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 1-108, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 1-108. A group of persons may form a recognized
16 political party at any time except during the period between March 1
17 and November 15 of any even-numbered year if the following procedure
18 is observed:

19 1. Notice of intent to form a recognized political party must
20 be filed in writing with the Secretary of the State Election Board
21 at any time except during the period between March 1 and November 15
22 of any even-numbered year;

23 2. After such notice is filed, petitions seeking recognition of
24 a political party, in a form to be prescribed by the Secretary of

1 the State Election Board, shall be filed with such Secretary,
2 bearing the signatures of registered voters equal to at least five
3 percent (5%) of the total votes cast in the last General Election
4 ~~either for Governor or for electors for President and Vice~~
5 ~~President.~~ Each page of ~~such~~ the petitions must contain the names
6 of registered voters from a single county. Petitions may be
7 circulated a maximum of one (1) year after notice is filed, provided
8 that petitions shall be filed with the Secretary no later than March
9 1 of an even-numbered year. ~~Such~~ The petitions shall not be
10 circulated between March 1 and November 15 of any even-numbered
11 year; and

12 3. Within thirty (30) days after receipt of such petitions, the
13 State Election Board shall determine the sufficiency of such
14 petitions. If ~~such~~ the Board determines there are a sufficient
15 number of valid signatures of registered voters, the party becomes
16 recognized under the laws of the State of Oklahoma with all rights
17 and obligations accruing thereto.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2013.
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