

**BILL SUMMARY**  
1st Session of the 54<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB 2134</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>Senate Amendment</b>
<b>Request Number:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Pending</b>

**Research Analysis**

Senate Amendment to HB 2134:

- provides that a recognized political party can terminate its status by notifying the Secretary of the State Election Board;
- requires that a recognized political party certify to the State Election Board the names of its nominees for President and Vice President at least 70 days prior to the election;
- requires uncommitted candidates who wish to serve as a Presidential Elector, or a group of candidates who are pledged to an Independent candidate, to first notify the State Election Board of their intention to circulate petitions to gather signatures of registered voters and modifies the number of signatures required to appear on the ballot;
- requires an Independent candidate for President to certify to the State Election Board the name of the Vice Presidential running mate no later than 70 days before the election;
- provides that a Presidential Elector who does not vote for the candidate to whom he or she is pledged to will result in immediate forfeiture of the Elector's office; and
- requires an unrecognized party to certify to the State Election Board the names of its nominees for Presidential Electors by August 15 and to certify the names of its nominees for President and Vice President no later than 70 days before the election.

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**Other Considerations**

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