

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2015)

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 1298

By: Wesselhoft

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An Act relating to elections; amending 26 O.S. 2011, Sections 5-118 and 5-121, which relate to contests of candidacy; authorizing certain persons to contest candidacy; increasing deposit required for contest; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 5-118, is amended to read as follows:

Section 5-118. Any candidate, hereafter referred to as petitioner, may contest the candidacy of any other candidate for the same office, hereafter referred to as contestee, by filing a written petition with the secretary of the election board with whom said candidate filed the declaration of candidacy. ~~In the event only one candidate files for an office, a~~ A petition contesting the candidacy may be filed by any registered voter who is eligible to vote for the candidate.

1 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 5-121, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 5-121. The petition must be accompanied by a cashier's
4 check or certified check in the amount of ~~Two Hundred Fifty Dollars~~
5 ~~(\$250.00)~~ Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).

6 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

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