

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1293

By: Sykes

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to judicial election ballots; amending 26 O.S. 2011, Sections 11-108, 11-110 and 11-111, which relate to judicial election procedures; deleting provision that certain judicial office ballots be without party designation; providing for determination of names to appear on General, Primary and Runoff Primary Election ballots; repealing 26 O.S. 2011, Sections 11-112 and 11-113, which relate to candidates for judicial office; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 11-108, is amended to read as follows:

Section 11-108. The ballots for retention of Justices of the Supreme Court ~~and~~, Judges of the Court of Criminal Appeals, ~~and the~~ ~~ballots for Judges of the Court of Civil Appeals, district judges and associate district judges~~ shall be without party designation.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 11-110, is amended to read as follows:

Section 11-110. If two or more persons file for the same judicial office and do not list the same party affiliation, their

1 names shall appear on the ballot only at the time of the General
2 Election.

3 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 11-111, is
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Section 11-111. ~~If, at the time of the Primary Election, more~~
6 ~~than~~ two or more persons have filed for the same judicial office
7 listing the same party affiliation, their names shall appear on the
8 ballot at the time of the Primary Election. If no candidate
9 receives a majority of the votes cast for that office at the Primary
10 Election, the two candidates who receive the highest number of votes
11 will have their names placed on the ballot for the Runoff Primary
12 Election. The name of the candidate receiving a majority of the
13 votes cast for that office at the Primary Election or Runoff Primary
14 Election, as applicable, will be placed on the ballot for the
15 General Election.

16 SECTION 4. REPEALER 26 O.S. 2011, Sections 11-112 and
17 11-113, are hereby repealed.

18 SECTION 5. This act shall become effective January 1, 2017.

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