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February 25, 2020

AS AMENDED

SENATE BILL NO. 1191

By: Dugger of the Senate

and

Hasenbeck of the House

[board of education elections - news release -
~~effective date -~~

~~emergency~~]

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 13A-109, as amended by Section 7, Chapter 380, O.S.L. 2015 (26 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 13A-109), is amended to read as follows:

Section 13A-109. A. The board of education of every school district and technology center school district shall notify, by resolution, the secretary of the county election board responsible for certifying its election of any regular or special election.

B. The resolution calling for an election or elections shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following information:

1. Date or dates of the election or elections;

1 2. Identification of the office or offices to be filled,
2 qualifications of candidates for office and the length of term of
3 each;

4 3. Information describing election districts within the school
5 district, if applicable;

6 4. Ballot titles of the question or questions to be voted upon;

7 5. Information describing the persons eligible to vote in the
8 election; and

9 6. All other information necessary for conducting the election
10 or elections.

11 C. Resolutions calling for regular elections shall be delivered
12 to the secretary of the county election board no fewer than fifteen
13 (15) days preceding the first day of the filing period established
14 in Section 13A-105 of this title. The resolution shall contain all
15 questions to be voted upon at the election to be held on the day as
16 required in Section 13A-103 of this title.

17 D. Resolutions calling for special elections shall be delivered
18 to the secretary of the county election board no fewer than sixty
19 (60) days preceding the election. A special filing period, if
20 necessary, shall be scheduled for three days and shall begin not
21 more than twenty (20) days following the date the resolution is
22 required to be submitted to the county election board.

1 E. In addition to notifying the secretary of the county
2 election board of the election by resolution as required in this
3 section:

4 1. For elections of members of the board of education of a
5 school district, the board shall also publish a legal notice for
6 each regular and special election in one issue of a legal newspaper
7 of the county, as defined by Section 106 of Title 25 of the Oklahoma
8 Statutes, in the county wherein the school district administrative
9 office is located at least ten (10) days prior to the filing period
10 ~~and shall issue a news release of the upcoming filing period and~~
11 ~~election to a newspaper of general circulation in the county wherein~~
12 ~~the school district administrative office is located.~~ The legal
13 notice ~~and press release~~ shall include, but shall not be limited to,
14 the dates of the filing period for the election or elections and the
15 office or offices to be filled. The notice shall also be posted at
16 the school district administrative offices and county election board
17 offices; and

18 2. For elections of members of the board of education of a
19 technology center school district, the board shall also publish a
20 legal notice for each regular and special election in one issue of a
21 legal newspaper of the county, as defined by Section 106 of Title 25
22 of the Oklahoma Statutes, in each county wherein the school district
23 is a member in the technology center district at least ten (10) days
24 prior to the filing period. ~~Additionally, the technology center~~

1 ~~school district shall issue a news release of the upcoming filing~~
2 ~~period and election to a newspaper of general circulation in each~~
3 ~~county wherein the school district is a member in the technology~~
4 ~~center district.~~ The legal notice and press release shall include,
5 but shall not be limited to, the dates of the filing period for the
6 election or elections and the office or offices to be filled. The
7 notice shall also be posted in each county at the technology center
8 school district administrative offices, if such office exists in the
9 county, and county election board office in each county.

10 ~~SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2020.~~

11 ~~SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation~~
12 ~~of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby~~
13 ~~declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and~~
14 ~~be in full force from and after its passage and approval.~~

15 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
16 February 25, 2020 - DO PASS AS AMENDED
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