

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

4 ENGROSSED SENATE
5 BILL NO. 2X

 By: Treat and Paxton of the
 Senate

6 and

7 McCall and Martinez of the
8 House

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10 An Act relating to county commissioner candidacy;
11 amending 19 O.S. 2021, Section 131.1, which relates
12 to qualifications for county office; modifying
13 timeline for residency and voter registration
 requirements for county commissioner candidates for
 2022 due to redistricting; and declaring an
 emergency.

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

17 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 131.1, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 Section 131.1. A. To file as a candidate for any county
20 office, except as provided in subsection B of this section, a person
21 must have been a registered voter and have maintained a current
22 principal residence within the county for the six-month period
23 immediately preceding the first day of the filing period prescribed
24 by law. ~~Provided, to~~

1 B. To file as a candidate for the office of county

2 commissioner, a person must have been a registered voter within the
3 county commissioner district and have maintained a current principal
4 residence within such district for the six-month period immediately
5 preceding the first day of the filing period prescribed by law.

6 Except, however, to file as a candidate for the office of county
7 commissioner in 2022, a person must have been a registered voter
8 within the county commissioner district and have maintained a
9 current principal residence within such district no later than
10 December 31, 2021. Evidence

11 C. For purposes of this section, evidence of a "principal
12 residence" may include, but not be limited to, the address listed
13 on:

- 14 1. A federal or state tax return;
- 15 2. A driver license; or
- 16 3. An automobile registration.

17 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
18 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
19 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
20 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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22 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON STATE AND FEDERAL REDISTRICTING,
23 dated 11-18-2021 - DO PASS.
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