

**Bill Summary**  
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**Bill Analysis**

SB 1754 moves the date for the Primary Election from the last Tuesday of June to the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of August and provides that the candidates for a political office that emerge from a Primary Election with the 2 highest total votes, short of 50%, shall be placed on the General Election ballot. The measure strikes language relating to Runoff Primaries. The measure also provides that, in the event a candidate chosen in a Primary Election dies before the General Election, the candidate with the next highest vote total in the Primary Election shall be designated as a substitute candidate. The measure shifts the timeframe for the Declaration of Candidacy from the second Wednesday of April to the first Monday of June. Candidates may file declarations of candidacy until the succeeding Wednesday. The measure provides that a candidate's partisan affiliation shall be shown after the candidate's name on the ballot if he or she indicated their party affiliation in his or her declaration of candidacy.

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