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H.257

Introduced by Representatives Gilbert of Fairfax and Martin of Wolcott

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Elections; local elections; petition filing dates

Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to create a uniform date by which various election petitions must be filed.

An act relating to creating a uniform date by which various election petitions must be filed

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 17 V.S.A. § 2642 is amended to read:

§ 2642. WARNING AND NOTICE CONTENTS

(a) The warning shall include the date and time of the election, location of the polling place or places, and the nature of the meeting or election. It shall, by separate articles, specifically indicate the business to be transacted, to include the offices and the questions to be voted upon. The warning shall also contain any article or articles requested by a petition signed by at least five percent of the voters of the municipality and filed with the municipal clerk not less than ~~40~~ 42 days before the day of the meeting.

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1 she shall return it to the candidate in whose behalf it was filed. In this case,
2 supplementary petitions may be filed not later than 5:00 p.m. on the
3 ~~Wednesday~~ 10th day after the filing deadline. However, supplementary
4 petitions shall not be accepted if petitions with signatures of different persons
5 totaling at least the number specified in subsection (b) of this section were not
6 filed by the filing deadline.

7 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

8 This act shall take effect on passage.