

HB 1319 -- CANDIDATE FILING DATES

SPONSOR: Deeken

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on Elections by a vote of 8 to 0.

This bill changes the date by which political subdivisions or special districts located in Kansas City must notify the public of candidate filing information from the fifteenth Tuesday to the sixteenth Tuesday prior to the election.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2005, FY 2006, and FY 2007.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the filing date was moved last year because of a holiday, but was moved to a municipal election date. The date needs to be changed back to the original date.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Deeken; and Office of Secretary of State.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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