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AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 1424, Page 1, Section A, Line 6, by inserting immediately after said section and line the following:

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"115.124. 1. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, in [a nonpartisan] an election in any political subdivision or special district including municipal elections in any city, town, or village with one thousand or fewer inhabitants that have adopted a proposal pursuant to subsection 3 of this section but excluding municipal elections in any city, town, or village with more than one thousand inhabitants, if the notice provided for in subsection 5 of section 115.127 has been published in at least one newspaper of general circulation as defined in section 493.050 in the district, and if the number of candidates who have filed for a particular office is equal to the number of positions in that office to be filled by the election, no election shall be held for such office, and the candidates shall assume the responsibilities of their offices at the same time and in the same manner as if they had been elected. If no election is held for such office as provided in this section, the election authority shall publish a notice containing the names of the candidates that shall assume the responsibilities of office under this section. Such notice shall be published in at least one newspaper of general circulation as defined in section 493.050 in such political subdivision or district by the first of the month in which the election would have occurred, had it been contested. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, if at any election the number of candidates filing for a particular office exceeds the number of positions to be filled at such election, the election authority shall hold the election as scheduled, even if a sufficient number of candidates withdraw from such contest for that office so that the number of candidates remaining after the filing deadline is equal to the number of positions to be filled.

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32 33 2. The election authority or political subdivision responsible for the oversight of the filing of candidates in any [nonpartisan] election in any political subdivision or special district shall clearly designate where candidates shall form a line to effectuate such filings and determine the order of such filings; except that, in the case of candidates who file a declaration of candidacy with the election authority or political subdivision prior to 5:00 p.m. on the first day for filing, the election authority or political subdivision may determine by random drawing the order in which such candidates' names shall appear on the ballot. If a drawing is conducted pursuant to this subsection, it shall be conducted so that each candidate, or candidate's representative if the candidate filed under subsection 2 of section 115.355, may draw a number at random at the time of filing. If such drawing is conducted, the election authority or political subdivision shall record the number drawn with the candidate's declaration of candidacy. If such drawing is conducted, the names of candidates filing on the first day of filing for each office on each ballot shall be listed in ascending order of the numbers so drawn.

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3. The governing body of any city, town, or village with one thousand or fewer inhabitants

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may submit to the voters at any available election, a question to adopt the provisions of subsection 1 1 2 of this section for municipal elections. If a majority of the votes cast by the qualified voters voting 3 thereon are in favor of the question, then the city, town, or village shall conduct [nonpartisan] 4 municipal elections as provided in subsection 1 of this section for all [nonpartisan] elections 5 remaining in the year in which the proposal was adopted and for the six calendar years immediately 6 following such approval. At the end of such six-year period, each such city, town, or village shall 7 be prohibited from conducting such elections in such a manner unless such a question is again 8 adopted by the majority of qualified voters as provided in this subsection."; and

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Further amend said bill, Page 2, Section 115.351, Line 15, by inserting immediately after said section and line the following:

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"115.354. In any declaration of candidacy for an office in a political subdivision or special district, a candidate may declare an affiliation with a political party, as defined in section 115.013."; and

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Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.