

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Extraordinary Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

3 SENATE BILL 3X

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to elections; amending 26 O.S. 2021,  
8 Section 5-105, which relates to candidate voter  
9 registration; specifying deadline for certain voter  
10 registration for candidates filing for certain  
11 offices for 2022 elections; and declaring an  
12 emergency.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2021, Section 5-105, is  
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 5-105. A. ~~To~~ Except as provided in subsection C of  
17 this section, to file as a candidate for nomination by a political  
18 party to any state or county office, a person must have been a  
19 registered voter of that party for the six-month period immediately  
20 preceding the first day of the filing period prescribed by law and,  
21 under oath, so state. Provided, this requirement shall not apply to  
22 a candidate for the nomination of a political party which attains  
23 recognition less than six (6) months preceding the first day of the  
24 filing period required by law. However, the candidate shall be

1 required to have registered with the newly recognized party within  
2 fifteen (15) days after such party recognition.

3 B. ~~To~~ Except as provided in subsection C of this section, to  
4 file as an independent candidate for any state or county office, a  
5 person must have been registered to vote as an independent for the  
6 six-month period immediately preceding the first day of the filing  
7 period prescribed by law and, under oath, so state.

8 C. To file as a candidate for nomination by a political party  
9 or as an independent candidate for State Senator, State  
10 Representative, or County Commissioner for any regular or special  
11 election to be held after April 5, 2022, a person must have been a  
12 registered voter of the political party or registered to vote as an  
13 independent no later than December 31, 2021.

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

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