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CHAPTER 1001

PRECINCT CAUCUSES S.F. 2031

AN ACT relating to the reporting of results of the precinct caucuses, providing a penalty, and providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 43.4, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code 1987, is amended to read as follows: There shall be selected among those present at a precinct caucus a chairperson and a secretary who shall forthwith certify to the county central committee and the county commissioner the names of those elected as party committee members and delegates to the county convention. When the rules of a political party require the selection and reporting of delegates selected as part of the presidential nominating process, or the rules of a political party require the tabulation and reporting of the number of persons attending the caucus favoring each presidential candidate, it is the duty of a person designated as provided by the rules of that political party to report the results of the precinct caucus as directed by the state central committee of that political party. When the person designated to report the results of the precinct caucus reports the results, representatives of each candidate may, if they so choose, accompany the person as the results are being reported to assure that an accurate report of the proceedings is reported. If ballots are used at the precinct caucus, representatives of each candidate or other persons attending the precinct caucus may observe the tabulation of the results of the balloting.

Sec. 2. Section 43.119, Code 1987, is amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:

NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. Any person who is designated pursuant to section 43.4 to report the results of a precinct caucus as it relates to the selection and reporting of delegates selected as part of the presidential nominating process or who is designated pursuant to section 43.4 to tabulate and report the number of persons attending the caucus favoring each presidential candidate who willfully fails to perform those duties, willfully falsifies the information, or willfully omits information required to be reported under section 43.4 commits a simple misdemeanor.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

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