

49.37 Arrangement of ballot.

1. For general elections, and for other elections in which more than one partisan office will be filled, the first section of the ballot shall be for straight party voting. Each political party or organization which has nominated candidates for more than one office shall be listed. Instructions to the voter for straight party or organization voting shall be in substantially the following form: "To vote for all candidates from a single party or organization, mark the voting target next to the party or organization name. Not all parties or organizations have nominated candidates for all offices. Marking a straight party or organization vote does not include votes for nonpartisan offices, judges, or questions." Political parties and nonparty political organizations which have nominated candidates for only one office shall be listed below the other political organizations under the heading "Other Political Organizations. The following organizations have nominated candidates for only one office:".

Offices shall be arranged in groups. Partisan offices, nonpartisan offices, judges, and public measures shall be separated by a distinct line appearing on the ballot.

2. The commissioner shall arrange the ballot in conformity with the certificate issued by the state commissioner under section 43.73, in that the names of the respective candidates for each political party shall appear in the order they appeared on the certificate, above or to the left of the nonparty political organization candidates.

3. The commissioner shall arrange the partisan county offices on the ballot with the board of supervisors first, followed by the other county offices and township offices in the same sequence in which they appear in sections 39.17 and 39.22. Nonpartisan offices shall be listed after partisan offices.

[C97, § 1106; S13, § 1106; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, § **755**; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, § 49.37]

89 Acts, ch 136, §37; 97 Acts, ch 170, § 35, 36