Senate File 2346

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1 Amend Senate File 2346 as follows:

2 l. By striking everything after the enacting clause and 3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. Section 49.31, subsection 1, Code 2018, is
5 amended to read as follows:</pre>

6 1. *a.* All ballots shall be arranged with the names of 7 candidates for each office listed below the office title. 8 For partisan elections the name of the political party or 9 organization which nominated each candidate shall be listed 10 after or below each candidate's name.

b. (1) The commissioner shall determine the order of 11 12 political parties and nonparty political organizations 13 candidates on the ballot as provided in this paragraph. The 14 sequence order shall be the same for each office on the ballot 15 and for each precinct in the county voting in the election. 16 The commissioner shall arrange the ballot so that the 17 candidates of each political party, as defined in section 43.2, 18 for each partisan office appearing on the ballot shall appear 19 in descending order so that the candidates of the political 20 party whose candidate for governor received the greatest number 21 of votes in the commissioner's county at the most recent 22 general election for the office of the governor shall appear 23 first on the ballot, and the candidates of the political party 24 whose candidate for governor received the next greatest number 25 of votes in the commissioner's county in such an election 26 appear next on the ballot, and continuing in descending order 27 in the same manner. (2) If the candidate for governor from two or more political 28 29 parties received the same number of votes in the county, the 30 commissioner shall determine the order of arranging political 31 party candidates for those political parties based upon the 32 number of votes received in the most recent general election

33 for the office of the governor for which the number of votes

34 received for the candidates of those political parties were

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35 different.

<u>c.</u> The commissioner shall determine the order of candidates
 <u>of</u> nonparty political organizations on the ballot. The order
 <u>shall</u> be the same for each office on the ballot and for each
 <u>precinct</u> in the county voting in the election.

5 Sec. 2. Section 49.31, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code 2018, 6 is amended to read as follows:

7 The Notwithstanding any provision of subsection 1, *b*. 8 paragraph "b'', to the contrary, the commissioner shall then 9 arrange the surnames of each political party's candidates for 10 each office to which two or more persons are to be elected at 11 large alphabetically for the respective offices for the first 12 precinct on the list; thereafter, for each political party and 13 for each succeeding precinct, the names appearing first for 14 the respective offices in the last preceding precinct shall 15 be placed last, so that the names that were second before the 16 change shall be first after the change. The commissioner may 17 also rotate the names of candidates of a political party in the 18 reverse order of that provided in this subsection or alternate 19 the rotation so that the candidates of different parties shall 20 not be paired as they proceed through the rotation. The 21 procedure for arrangement of names on ballots provided in this 22 section shall likewise be substantially followed in elections 23 in political subdivisions of less than a county.>

24 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 4 and inserting 25 <An Act relating to the ballot arrangement for certain partisan 26 offices.>

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