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SENATE FILE **422**  
BY COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 307)

Passed Senate, Date \_\_\_\_\_ Passed House, Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_ Vote: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_  
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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to declaration of political party affiliation, or  
2 declaration of no party affiliation on voter registration  
3 forms.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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**S.F. 422**

1 Section 1. Section 48A.11, subsection 1, paragraph i, Code  
2 1997, is amended to read as follows:

3 i. Political party ~~registration~~ affiliation, including  
4 sufficient space to write in the name of a political party or  
5 to indicate no affiliation with a political party. There  
6 shall be printed on the form the following statement:  
7 "Failure to designate a political party affiliation makes the  
8 registrant ineligible to participate in a primary election".

9 EXPLANATION

10 This bill requires that a voter registration form provide  
11 sufficient space for a registrant to write in the name of a  
12 political party when declaring a party affiliation or to  
13 indicate no party affiliation. The bill also provides that  
14 the form contain a statement indicating that failure to  
15 designate a party affiliation makes the registrant ineligible  
16 for primary election participation.

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