

Senate Study Bill 1255

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
STATE GOVERNMENT BILL
BY CHAIRPERSON CONNOLLY)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the voter registration deadline for primary
2 elections and providing an immediate effective date.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
4 TLSB 2051SC 82
5 sc/gg/14

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1 1 Section 1. Section 48A.9, subsection 1, Code 2007, is
1 2 amended to read as follows:
1 3 1. Registration closes at five p.m. eleven days before
1 4 each election except ~~primary and~~ general elections. For
1 5 ~~primary and~~ general elections, registration closes at five
1 6 p.m. ten days before the election. An eligible elector may
1 7 register during the time registration is closed in the
1 8 elector's precinct but the registration shall not become
1 9 effective until registration opens again in the elector's
1 10 precinct.
1 11 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
1 12 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.
1 13 EXPLANATION
1 14 Under current law, the deadline for registering to vote for
1 15 primary and general elections is 10 days before the election,
1 16 and for all other elections the deadline is 11 days before the
1 17 election. This bill changes the registration deadline to 11
1 18 days for registering to vote in the primary election.
1 19 LSB 2051SC 82
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