

House File 543 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring birth certificates to be filed with affidavits
2 of candidacy for presidential and vice presidential
3 candidates.

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

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 45.3A Filing of birth certificates
2 — presidential and vice presidential candidates.

3 1. A candidate for president or vice president shall attach
4 to and file with the affidavit of candidacy a copy of the
5 candidate's birth certificate certified by the appropriate
6 official in the candidate's state of birth. The certified copy
7 shall be made part of the affidavit of candidacy and shall be
8 made available for public inspection in the same manner as the
9 affidavit of candidacy.

10 2. A candidate for president or vice president who does
11 not comply with the requirements of this section shall not
12 be eligible for placement on the ballot as a candidate for
13 president or vice president anywhere in the state.

14 EXPLANATION

15 This bill provides that candidates for president and vice
16 president shall file, along with their affidavit of candidacy,
17 a certified copy of the candidate's birth certificate which
18 shall be made available for public inspection in the same
19 manner as the candidate's affidavit of candidacy. The bill
20 further provides that a candidate for president or vice
21 president who does not attach to the affidavit of candidacy a
22 certified copy of the candidate's birth certificate shall not
23 be eligible for placement on the ballot anywhere in the state.