1-2   (In the Senate - Filed January 24, 2025; February 13, 2025,
1-3   read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;
1-4   March 31, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-5   Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0; March 31, 2025,
1-6   sent to printer.)

1-7   COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Hughes	X			
1-10	Paxton	X			
1-11	Bettencourt	X			
1-12	Birdwell	X			
1-13	Hall	X			
1-14	Hinojosa of Nueces	X			
1-15	Middleton	X			
1-16	Parker	X			
1-17	Perry	X			
1-18	Schwertner			X	
1-19	Zaffirini	X			

1-20 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 901   By: Hall

1-21   A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-22   AN ACT

1-23 relating to the declaration of a candidate's ineligibility on the
1-24 basis of filing an application for a place on the general primary
1-25 election ballot or for nomination by convention with more than one
1-26 political party.
1-27   BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-28   SECTION 1. Chapter 162, Election Code, is amended by adding
1-29 Section 162.0151 to read as follows:
1-30   Sec. 162.0151. CANDIDACY PROHIBITED. (a) A candidate who
1-31 files an application for a place on the general primary election
1-32 ballot or for nomination by convention with more than one political
1-33 party in the same voting year shall be ineligible for:
1-34   (1) a place on the ballot for a general primary
1-35 election;
1-36   (2) nomination by convention; and
1-37   (3) the succeeding general election as:
1-38   (A) an independent candidate in a partisan
1-39 election;
1-40   (B) the nominee of a political party; or
1-41   (C) a write-in candidate in a partisan election.
1-42   (b) A candidate's name shall be omitted from the general
1-43 primary election ballot of each political party with which the
1-44 candidate filed an application for a place on the ballot if, not
1-45 later than the 10th day after the date of the regular filing
1-46 deadline for the general primary election, the secretary of state
1-47 determines that the candidate is ineligible under Subsection (a).
1-48   (c) The secretary of state shall provide written notice to a
1-49 candidate declared ineligible under this section. The notice
1-50 required under this subsection shall inform the candidate:
1-51   (1) of the candidate's ineligibility;
1-52   (2) that the candidate may withdraw from the general
1-53 primary election under Section 172.052; and
1-54   (3) if the candidate refuses to withdraw, the
1-55 candidate's name shall be omitted from the general primary election
1-56 ballot.
1-57   (d) The secretary of state shall prescribe any procedures
1-58 necessary to implement this section.
1-59   SECTION 2. Section 172.028(c), Election Code, is amended to
1-60 read as follows:

2-1   (c) A candidate's name may not be certified:
2-2   (1) if, before delivering the certification, the state
2-3   chair learns that the name is to be omitted from the ballot under
2-4   Section 162.0151 or Section 172.057; or
2-5   (2) for an office for which the candidate's
2-6   application is invalid under Section 141.033.
2-7   SECTION 3. Section 181.068(c), Election Code, is amended to
2-8   read as follows:
2-9   (c) A presiding officer may not certify a candidate's name:
2-10   (1) if, before delivering the certification, the
2-11 presiding officer learns that the name is to be omitted from the
2-12 ballot under Section 145.035 or Section 162.0151; or
2-13   (2) for an office for which the candidate's
2-14 application is invalid under Section 141.033.
2-15   SECTION 4. Section 182.007(c), Election Code, is amended to
2-16 read as follows:
2-17   (c) The county chair may not certify a candidate's name:
2-18   (1) if, before delivering the certification, the
2-19 county chair learns that the name is to be omitted from the ballot
2-20 under Section 145.035 or Section 162.0151; or
2-21   (2) for an office for which the candidate's
2-22 application is invalid under Section 141.033.
2-23   SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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