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Senate Bill 669 (Senator Simonaire, *et al.*)
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Republican Party Central Committee Members - Tenure in Office - Revision

This bill modifies the timing of the tenure in office of a member of the Republican Party Central Committee so that a member's tenure begins at the time the results of the primary election at which the member is elected are certified rather than on the fourteenth day following the gubernatorial general election.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill does not directly affect State finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law/Background: The tenure in office of a member of the Republican Party Central Committee begins on the fourteenth day following the gubernatorial general election. The tenure in office of a member of the central committee of any other political party (*i.e.*, Democratic Party) begins at the time the results of the primary election at which the member is elected are certified and continues to the extent of any extension in time between primary elections by reason of any change in the date of holding primary elections by a political party in the State.

Each political party must have a State central committee, which is the governing body of the political party. A State central committee may be composed of the members of the county central committees during their terms in office. The county central committees of

the Democratic and Republican parties are elected during the gubernatorial primary election.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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