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DIGEST

Gallot (SB 60)

Present law provides that a political candidate not registered with a political party will list "no party" on the notice of candidacy and primary or general election ballot.

Proposed law allows a political candidate not registered with a political party to list "independent" on the notice of candidacy and primary or general election ballot.

Present law prohibits a political party which declares its name solely to be "Independent" or "the Independent Party" from being recognized.

Proposed law allows for the recognition of a political party that declares its name solely to be "Independent" or "the Independent Party".

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 18:463(A)(1)(a) and 551(D); repeals R.S. 18:441(B)(4))