

Existing law (R.S. 18:453) prohibits a person from becoming a candidate in a primary or general election for more than one office and from becoming a candidate at the same time for two or more different offices to be filled at separate elections. Provides for certain limited exceptions.

Existing law (R.S. 18:461) requires a person who desires to become a candidate in a primary election to qualify by timely filing a notice of candidacy. Provides that when a candidate has filed multiple notices of candidacy for election to more than one office at the same election, which multiple candidacies would be in violation of existing law (R.S. 18:453), the candidate is disqualified as a candidate in the primary and general elections for all but the last of such offices for which he filed notices of candidacy. Requires the secretary of state to include the name of the candidate on the ballot for election to the last of such offices for which the candidate filed notices of candidacy and to no other such office for which dual candidacy would be prohibited.

Prior law provided for a refund of qualifying fees under certain circumstances when a person filed multiple notices of candidacy. New law repeals prior law.

Effective upon signature of governor (May 16, 2014).

(Amends R.S. 18:461(B))