

2009-2010 Regular Sessions

I N S E N A T E

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Introduced by Sen. KRUGER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Elections

AN ACT to amend the election law, in relation to eligibility to file written objections to nominations and designations

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 6-154 of the election law, as  
2 amended by chapter 248 of the laws of 1981, is amended to read as  
3 follows:  
4 2. Written objections to any certificate of designation or nomination  
5 or to a nominating or designating petition or a petition for opportunity  
6 to ballot for public office or to a certificate of acceptance, a certifi-  
7 cate of authorization, a certificate of declination or a certificate of  
8 substitution relating thereto may be filed by any voter registered to  
9 vote for such public office and to a designating petition or a petition  
10 for opportunity to ballot for party position or a certificate of substi-  
11 tution, a certificate of acceptance or a certificate of declination  
12 relating thereto by any voter enrolled to vote for such party position,  
13 EXCEPT THAT FOR THE PARTY POSITION OF MEMBER OF COUNTY COMMITTEE, ANY  
14 ENROLLED MEMBER OF THE PARTY WHO RESIDES WITHIN THE COUNTY AND THE  
15 ASSEMBLY DISTRICT WHICH CONTAINS THE ELECTION DISTRICT FROM WHICH SUCH  
16 PARTY POSITION IS TO BE ELECTED IS ELIGIBLE TO FILE SUCH OBJECTIONS.  
17 Such objections shall be filed with the officer or board with whom the  
18 original petition or certificate is filed within three days after the  
19 filing of the petition or certificate to which objection is made, or  
20 within three days after the last day to file such a certificate, if no  
21 such certificate is filed except that if any person nominated by an  
22 independent nominating petition, is nominated as a party candidate for  
23 the same office by a party certificate filed, or a party nomination made  
24 after the filing of such petition, the written objection to such peti-

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

1 tion may be filed within three days after the filing of such party  
2 certificate or the making of such party nomination. When such an  
3 objection is filed, specifications of the grounds of the objections  
4 shall be filed within six days thereafter with the same officer or board  
5 and if specifications are not timely filed, the objection shall be null  
6 and void. Each such officer or board is hereby empowered to make rules  
7 in reference to the filing and disposition of such petition, certif-  
8 icate, objections and specifications.

9 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.