

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 12, 2023

Introduced by Sen. ADDABBO -- 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 prohibiting candidates from authorizing more than one political committee for any one election

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 14-112 of the election law, as amended by section 8
2 of part A of chapter 286 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as
3 follows:

4 § 14-112. [~~Political~~] Authorized committee; political committee
5 authorization statement. 1. Any political committee aiding or taking
6 part in the election or nomination of any candidate, other than a poli-
7 tical action committee, shall file, in the office in which the state-
8 ments of such committee are to be filed pursuant to this article, either
9 a sworn verified statement by the treasurer of such committee and the
10 candidate that [the] such candidate has authorized the political commit-
11 tee to aid or take part in his or her election or a sworn verified
12 statement by the treasurer of such committee that the candidate has not
13 authorized the committee to aid or take part in his or her election.

14 2. No candidate may authorize more than one political committee for
15 any one election. Any candidate who, on December first, two thousand
16 twenty-four, has authorized more than one political committee for any
17 one election shall, not later than thirty days after said date, disavow
18 all but one of such committees, in writing, to the state board of
19 elections. This subdivision shall not apply to the authorization of an
20 exploratory committee by an elected public official. A multi-candidate
21 committee may not be an authorized committee.

22 3. Campaign funds remaining in any disavowed committee shall be
23 disposed of pursuant to this article.

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

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1 § 2. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall
2 have become a law; provided, however, that the state board of elections
3 shall notify all candidates and political committees of the applicable
4 provisions of this act within thirty days after this act shall have
5 become a law.