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HOUSE BILL 445

46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS; REQUIRING CERTIFICATION OF NOMINEES FOR
CERTAIN OFFICES BY THE COUNTY CLERK.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 1-8-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1969,
Chapter 240, Section 154, as amended) is amended to read:

"1-8-4. SECRETARY OF STATE-~~-~~COUNTY CLERK~~-~~- CERTIFICATION
OF NOMINEES-~~-~~ MINOR POLITICAL PARTY. --

A. Upon receipt of certificates of nomination of
[~~any~~] a minor political party, the secretary of state shall:

[~~A.-~~] (1) determine whether the method of
nomination used by the certifying political party complies with
the current rules and regulations of that party on file in his
office;

[~~B.-~~] (2) determine whether all the

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1 requirements of Sections 1-8-1, 1-8-2 and 1-8-3 NMSA 1978 have
2 been complied with and that the petition and list of signatures
3 and addresses of voters are valid and comply with law; and

4 ~~[C-]~~ (3) if such determinations are answered
5 in the affirmative, certify the names of the party's nominees
6 as candidates for the office for which each is nominated to
7 each county clerk in the state.

8 B. Upon receipt of certificates of nomination of a
9 minor political party, the county clerk shall:

10 (1) determine whether the method of nomination
11 used by the certifying political party complies with the
12 current rules and regulations of that party on file with the
13 secretary of state;

14 (2) determine whether all the requirements of
15 Sections 1-8-1, 1-8-2 and 1-8-3 NMSA 1978 have been complied
16 with and that the petition and list of signatures and addresses
17 of voters are valid and comply with law; and

18 (3) if such determinations are answered in the
19 affirmative, certify the names of the party's nominees as
20 candidates for the office for which each is nominated to the
21 secretary of state."

22 Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. --The effective date of the
23 provisions of this act is July 1, 2003.