VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1997 SESSION

CHAPTER 209

An Act to amend and reenact § 24.2-614 of the Code of Virginia, relating to presidential election ballots.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 24.2-614 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 24.2-614. Preparation and form of presidential election ballots.

As soon as practicable after the seventy-fourth day before the presidential election, the State Board shall certify to the secretary of each county and city electoral board the form of official ballot for the presidential election which shall be uniform throughout the Commonwealth. Each electoral board shall have the official ballot printed at least forty-five days preceding the election.

The ballot shall contain the name of each political party and the party group name, if any, specified by the persons naming electors by petition pursuant to § 24.2-543. Below the party name in parentheses, the ballot shall contain the words "Electors for, President and, Vice-President" with the blanks filled in with the names of the candidates for President and Vice-President for whom the candidates for electors are expected to vote in the Electoral College. The names of the electors nominated by each political party or group of petitioners shall follow the name of each political party and party designation, and A printed square shall precede the name of each political party or party designation.

Groups of petitioners qualifying for a party name under § 24.2-543 shall be treated as a class; the order of the groups shall be determined by lot by the State Board; and the groups shall immediately follow the independent class on the ballot. The order of the candidates within the independent class shall be determined by lot by the State Board.