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AN ACT to repeal 5.23 (1) (b); to renumber and amend 5.23 (1) (c); and to amend 5.23 (1) (a) of the statutes, relating to nominations of delegates to national presidential conventions.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. 5.23 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

5.23 (1) (a) Nominations for candidates for delegates shall be made by nomination papers, in the manner provided by sections 5.05 and 5.07, except that the nomination paper shall refer to the election to be held on the first Tuesday of April, in the year in which such candidates are to be voted for. The names of all candidates for delegates at large favoring the same candidate for president may be included on one nomination paper and the names of all candidates for district delegates, representing the same district and favoring the same candidate for president may be included on one nomination paper, on such forms as prescribed by the secretary of state. A statement of principles when favor-

ing a specific candidate shall be limited to the candidate's name only and such proposed presidential candidate's name shall be printed but once at the top of the column on the ballot. The number of delegates permitted under a proposed presidential candidate's name shall be limited to the number of delegates to be elected, as designated by the national party committees. When the number of delegates, which have been certified or which have filed nomination papers, for a single presidential candidate equals the number to be elected, no additional candidate's names shall be accepted for a place on the ballot. However, in the event 2 or more candidates favoring the same presidential candidate, shall file their nomination papers at the same time, which filing will exceed the total number of delegates to be elected by the party, the excess number of candidates shall be eliminated by lot conducted under the supervision of the board of state canvassers. Candidates not favoring any specific candidate may have principles expressed in not more than 5 words. and such principles shall be printed underneath their names on the ballot in the uninstructed column. Any proposed presidential candidate, who certifies and files a full list of delegates with the secretary of state not later than 5 p.m., 32 days prior to said April election, shall have the names of such delegates printed on the ballot in the same manner as candidates filing nomination papers and such certification shall take preference over any candidate filing nomination papers, in behalf of such presidential candidate. Any proposed presidential candidate, who certifies and files a full list of delegates with the secretary of state not later than the third Tuesday of January in the year in which such election is held, shall have the names of such delegates printed on the ballot in the same manner as candidates filing nomination papers, and no nomination papers shall be filed thereafter in behalf of such presidential candidate.

Section 2. 5.23 (1) (b) of the statutes is repealed.

Section 3. 5.23 (1) (e) of the statutes is renumbered 5.23 (1) (b) and amended to read:

5.23 (1) (b) In the event the proposed presidential candidate does not file a certified list of candidates for delegates as provided in paragraph (a), but there are candidates who have filed their nomination papers as delegates pledged to him, their names shall not appear on the ballot for the delegate election unless on or before the last day for filing nomination papers such proposed presidential candidate shall file * * * a certificate of consent permitting the use of his name on said ballot. Such certificate shall be on a form prescribed by the secretary of state.

Approved July 19, 1951.