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H 1684. UNAFFILIATED CANDIDATES. Filed 4/18/07. TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING UNAFFILIATED CANDIDATES.

Amends GS 163-122 to require a person petitioning to have the person's name included on the general election ballot as an unaffiliated candidate to file the petition before the last business day in February in the election year (was, last Friday in June), and to prohibit a person from filing as a candidate for party nomination and as an unaffiliated candidate in the same election. Amends GS 163-296 to require these petitions for municipal elections to be filed by the third Friday in July in the election year (was, the Friday preceding the seventh Saturday before the election). Enacts new GS 163-122.1 to spell out the procedure for a candidate to qualify as unaffiliated candidate for president. Effective January 1, 2008, for petitions filed on and after that date.

Intro. by Lewis.

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