

current requirements found in KRS 118.315(2). The ballot must show the candidates party affiliation, and if not a registered member of a political party, the ballot must reflect the candidate as independent. The exception to this is if the unexpired term will *not* end the first Monday in January following the next regular election, and if less than three months before the next regular election, the unexpired term shall be filled on the date of the regular election.

A voter at a special election as detailed above shall not be permitted to vote for all candidates of one party (straight-ticket voting) or for one or more candidates of every party, or for one or more independent, political organization, or political group candidates.

The fiscal impact of HB 191 HCS 1 is approximately \$50,000. This is the cost of a special election for Metro Council as calculated by the Jefferson County Clerk's Office.

Part III: Differences to Local Government Mandate Statement from Prior Versions

Part II refers to HB 191 HCS 1. The following changes were made to HB 191 as introduced:

- Clarifies the first Monday in January following the next regular election as the determining date regarding the process for filling unexpired terms.
- Requires signatures of 2 registered voters of the council district to appear on the petition for nomination.
- Requires party affiliation on the ballot.

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