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## Overview

This bill requires candidates filing for office to file a petition containing a specified number of signatures, if the candidate does not meet certain residency requirements.

## **Section**

**1 Petition.** Requires a candidate filing for office to present a petition, containing a specified number of signatures, if the candidate has not met certain residency requirements: a petition is required if the candidate has not resided in the state for at least one year, as of the date of the election, or has not resided in the election district for at least six months as of the date of the election.

Filing a petition is currently an option for all candidates, in lieu of paying a filing fee. The current law specifying the number of signatures that are required on a petition is unchanged.