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challengers; polling places; tabulation observation

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HOUSE BILL 2289

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 16-590, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO POLLING
PLACE PROCEDURES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Section 16-590, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:
4 16-590. Appointment of challengers and party representatives
5 A. FOR EACH PRECINCT, BY WRITTEN APPOINTMENT ADDRESSED TO THE
6 ELECTION BOARD, the county chairman of each party ~~may, for each precinct,~~
7 ~~by written appointment addressed to the election board,~~ SHALL designate a
8 party agent or representative and alternates for a polling place in the
9 precinct who may act as challengers for the party ~~which~~ THAT appointed ~~him~~
10 THEM.
11 B. At each voting place, one challenger for each political party
12 ~~may~~ SHALL be present and act, but ~~no~~ A challenger may NOT enter a voting
13 booth except to mark ~~his~~ THAT CHALLENGER'S ballot.
14 C. Not more than ~~the number of~~ ONE party ~~representatives~~
15 REPRESENTATIVE ~~for each party which were mutually agreed upon by~~ FROM each
16 political party represented on the ballot shall be in the polling place at
17 one time. ~~if such agreement cannot be reached, the number of~~
18 ~~representatives shall be limited to one in the polling place at one time~~
19 ~~for each political party.~~ THE PARTY REPRESENTATIVES SHALL REMAIN IN THE
20 POLLING PLACE UNTIL COMPLETION OF THE TABULATION OF VOTES IN THE POLLING
21 PLACE AND TRANSMITTAL OR DELIVERY OF THOSE RESULTS TO THE COUNTY RECORDER
22 OR OTHER OFFICER IN CHARGE OF ELECTIONS.
23 D. A challenger or party representative shall be a resident of this
24 state and registered to vote in this state.
25 E. NOTWITHSTANDING THE MANDATORY DESIGNATION PROCESS OUTLINED IN
26 THIS SECTION, THE ELECTION PROCESS SHALL CONTINUE EVEN IF THE CHALLENGERS
27 OR PARTY REPRESENTATIVES ARE NOT PRESENT.