

**CHAPTER 177**  
**HB 588 - FINAL VERSION**

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HOUSE BILL            **588**

AN ACT                relative to presidential nominations.

SPONSORS:           Rep. Huot, Belk. 3

COMMITTEE:        Election Law

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ANALYSIS

This bill amends the declaration of candidacy form for presidential primary candidates.

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Explanation:        Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.  
                         Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~  
                         Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen*

AN ACT                    relative to presidential nominations.

*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

1            177:1 Presidential Nominations; Declaration of Candidacy. Amend RSA 655:47, I to read as  
2 follows:

3            I. The names of any persons to be voted upon as candidates for president at the presidential  
4 primary shall be printed on the ballots upon the filing of declarations of candidacy with the secretary  
5 of state in the following form and signed by the candidate:

6 I, \_\_\_\_\_, swear under penalties of perjury that I am qualified to be a candidate for  
7 president of the United States pursuant to article II, section 1, clause 4 of the United States  
8 Constitution, which states, "No person except a natural born citizen, or a citizen of the United  
9 States, at the time of the adoption of this Constitution, shall be eligible to the office of President;  
10 neither shall any person be eligible to that office who shall not have attained to the age of thirty-five  
11 years, and been fourteen years a resident within the United States." I further declare that I am  
12 domiciled in \_\_\_\_\_, in the city (or town or unincorporated place) of \_\_\_\_\_, county of  
13 \_\_\_\_\_, state of \_\_\_\_\_, that I am a registered member of the \_\_\_\_\_ party ***or that***  
14 ***I am a recognized candidate for President in the party in which I desire to file***; that I am a  
15 candidate for nomination for the office of president to be made at the primary election to be held on  
16 the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_; and I hereby request that my name be printed on the official primary  
17 ballot of said \_\_\_\_\_ party as a candidate for such nomination.

177:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: July 10, 2019

Effective Date: September 08, 2019