

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 335

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO BALLOTS; AMENDING SECTION 34-903, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVI-  
2 SIONS REGARDING THE ARRANGEMENT OF CANDIDATE NAMES ON BALLOTS AND TO  
3 MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.  
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5 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

6 SECTION 1. That Section 34-903, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby  
7 amended to read as follows:

8 34-903. SECRETARY OF STATE TO PRESCRIBE FORM AND CONTENTS OF ALL BAL-  
9 LOTS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS. (1) The secretary of state shall, in a manner  
10 consistent with the election laws of this state, prescribe the form for  
11 all ballots, absentee ballots, diagrams, sample ballots, ballot labels,  
12 voting machine labels or booklets, certificates, notices, declarations of  
13 candidacy, affidavits of all types, lists, applications, poll books, tally  
14 sheets, registers, rosters, statements, and abstracts if required by the  
15 election laws of this state.

16 (2) The secretary of state shall prescribe the arrangement of the mat-  
17 ter to be printed on each kind of ballot and label, including:

18 (a) The placement and listing of all offices, candidates and issues  
19 upon which voting is statewide, which shall be uniform throughout the  
20 state.

21 (b) The listing of all other candidates required to file with him, and  
22 the order of listing all offices and issues upon which voting is not  
23 statewide.

24 (3) The names of candidates for legislative or special district offices  
25 shall be printed only on the ballots and ballot labels furnished to voters of  
26 such district.

27 (4) (a) The names of candidates ~~which~~ that appear on election ballots  
28 for federal, state, county, and city offices shall be rotated in the  
29 manner determined by the secretary of state.

30 (b) The names of candidates that appear on election ballots for other  
31 offices shall be rotated in the manner determined by the secretary of  
32 state for any political entity whose number of registered voters at the  
33 last general election exceeds one hundred thousand (100,000).

34 (c) The order of candidates for office in all other elections shall be  
35 determined by applying the first letter of each candidate's last name  
36 to a random alphabet selected prior to each election by the secretary of  
37 state.

38 (5) No candidate's name may appear on a ballot for more than one (1) par-  
39 tisan office or one (1) judicial office, except that a candidate for precinct  
40 committeeman may seek one (1) additional office upon the same ballot. The  
41 provisions of this subsection shall not apply to the election of electors of  
42 president and ~~vice-president~~ vice president of the United States.