

HB 1046 -- DECLARATIONS OF CANDIDACY (Rowland)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Committee on Elections

This bill requires each established political party to provide the Missouri Secretary of State with verifiable proof of the identity and proof of status as a natural born citizen of the United States for each nominee for President and Vice President of the United States. The proof must be submitted with the other certification documents that are required to be filed with the Secretary of State pursuant to Chapter 115, RSMo. A write-in candidate for either of these positions must also provide this certification.

"Natural born citizen" means having been declared a national and citizen of the United States at birth or having been declared a national and United States citizen under federal law as it existed at the time of the nominee's birth. Evidence used to verify a nominee's status as a natural born citizen must be in the form of the most complete record of birth available from the controlling legal authority at the time of the nominee's birth, must be kept and maintained by the Secretary of State, and must be deemed a public record under Chapter 610.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2013, FY 2014, and FY 2015.