

HOUSE BILL NO. 1566

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES MUNTZEL (Sponsor), LOVE, HICKS, KORMAN,
RHOADS AND NEELY (Co-sponsors).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 115, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to primary election results.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 115, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 115.131, to read as follows:

2 **115.131. 1. In the event there is a tie vote between two candidates in a primary**
3 **election for a county office, and the candidates do not mutually consent to resolve the tie**
4 **by lottery, withdrawal, or another method, then each candidate who failed to win the**
5 **election as a result of the tie shall be permitted to place his or her name on the ballot at the**
6 **general election. However, his or her name shall appear on the ballot with no political**
7 **party designation.**

7 **2. The provisions of this section shall apply only in the case of an uncontested**
8 **general election in which the candidates who tie during a political party primary are the**
9 **only candidates eligible to run for the county office because that all other political party**
10 **or independent candidates have not met the requisite filing requirements to run for such**
11 **office.**

12 **3. If a general election is contested as a result of this section, any tie vote in a**
13 **political party primary shall be resolved under section 115.515 prior to the general election.**

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.