State Board of Elections Policy 2019-001

A meeting of the Virginia State Board of Elections was held on 10/29/2019 whereby the following policy was proposed by the Department of Elections and approved by the Board:

Candidate Filings for Special Elections

WHEREAS, candidates may be required to file documents to meet ballot access requirements under Chapter 5 of Title 24.2 of the Code of Virginia that do not specify any particular date upon which the candidate may begin filing.

WHEREAS, the issuance of a writ by an appropriate authority is required for a special election to be scheduled.

RESOLVED, by the Board under its authority to issue rules and regulations to promote the proper administration of election laws and obtain uniformity in the administration of elections pursuant to §24.2-103, that:

The below policy applies to the conduct of candidate filing procedures for special elections scheduled not in May or November:

No person may submit the required candidate qualification documents until an appropriate authority has issued the writ ordering the election.