

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1072

By: Key, Cooksey, Proctor,
Dorman and McMullen of
the House

and

Brogdon of the Senate

(<StartFT>elections - amending 26 O.S., Section 1-
108 - formation of political parties -
effective date) <EndFT>

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY <26> O.S. 2001, Section <1-
108>, as <last >amended by Section <6>, Chapter <53>, O.S.L.
20<04> (<26> O.S. Supp. 2008, Section <1-108>), is amended to
read as follows:

Section <1-108>. A group of persons may form a recognized
political party at any time except during the period between
June 1 and November 15 of any evennumbered year if the following
procedure is observed:

1. Notice of intent to form a recognized political party
must be filed in writing with the Secretary of the State Elec-

tion Board at any time except during the period between March 1 and November 15 of any evennumbered year.

2. After such notice is filed, petitions seeking recognition of a political party, in a form to be prescribed by the Secretary of the State Election Board, shall be filed with such Secretary, bearing the signatures of registered voters equal to at least five percent (5%) of the total votes cast in the last General Election ~~either for Governor or for electors for President and Vice President~~. Each page of such petitions must contain the names of registered voters from a single county. Petitions may be circulated a maximum of one (1) year after notice is filed, provided that petitions shall be filed with such Secretary no later than May 1 of an evennumbered year. Such petitions shall not be circulated between May 1 and November 15 of any even-numbered year.

3. Within thirty (30) days after receipt of such petitions, the State Election Board shall determine the sufficiency of such petitions. If such Board determines there are a sufficient number of valid signatures of registered voters, the party becomes recognized under the laws of the State of Oklahoma with all rights and obligations accruing thereto.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective <November 1, 2009>.

Passed the House of Representatives the 11th<11th> day of
<March>, 2009.

of _____
Presiding Officer of the House
Representatives

Passed the Senate the _____ day of _____, 2009.

ate _____
Presiding Officer of the Sen-