HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 29

By COMMITTEE ON RULES

June 8

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after "248.017" insert ", 248.023, 248.026 and 248.035.".

2 Delete line 3.

3 On page 3, after line 12, insert:

4 "SECTION 6. ORS 248.026 is amended to read:

5 "248.026. (1) The members of a county central committee may select a member of the major 6 political party who is registered in the precinct in which the vacancy exists, or registered in a 7 precinct within the same county adjoining that precinct, to fill a vacancy in the office of precinct 8 committeeperson.

9 "(2) When a county central committee votes to select a person to fill a vacancy in the office of 10 precinct committeeperson, the chairperson of the committee shall give written notice to the county 11 clerk of the proposed selection. The selection shall take effect when the county clerk upon timely 12 verification of eligibility, places the name of the person selected on the list of committeepersons. 13 The county clerk shall then send written notice of the selection to the person and the county central 14 committee.

15 "(3) A person selected to fill a vacancy in the office of precinct committeeperson may be re-16 moved from office at the pleasure of the central committee, but, except as provided in subsection (4) 17 of this section, otherwise shall hold the office for the unexpired term and shall have the powers, 18 duties and privileges of an elected committeeperson.

"(4) A person selected to fill a vacancy in the office of precinct committeeperson may not vote on the election of county central committee officers at the organizational meeting of the committee as provided in ORS 248.035 **for the first 60 days after the person is selected**. A person selected to fill a vacancy in the office of precinct committeeperson may vote to fill any vacancy in a committee office after the organizational meeting.

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"<u>SECTION 7.</u> ORS 248.035 is amended to read:

"248.035. (1) At the organizational meeting of a county central committee:

26 "(a) The officers of the retiring county central committee shall make available to the committee 27 the property, records and funds owned or controlled by the retiring committee.

(b) The committee next shall elect a chairperson, vice chairperson and other officers the committee considers necessary. The persons elected to the offices need not be members of the county central committee. The committee shall determine the term of each office. Only a newly elected precinct committeeperson or a precinct committeeperson who has been appointed or selected more than 60 days before the date of the organizational meeting may vote on the election of committee officers.

34 "(2) The elected chairperson, within 48 hours of the chairperson's election, shall send a list of 35 the officers of the committee to the county clerk and to the state central committee. "(3) Only a newly elected precinct committeeperson or a person appointed or selected to fill a vacancy in the office of committeeperson may vote to fill a vacancy in a committee office. Immediately before a meeting of the county central committee at which there may be an election to fill a vacancy in a committee office, the chairperson shall obtain from the county clerk a list of committee members. The list shall determine the eligibility of a committeeperson to vote to fill a vacancy in a committee office.".

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