

House Bill 3173

Sponsored by Representative LEIF, Senator HEARD; Representatives BONHAM, RESCHKE, ZIKA (at the request of Association of Oregon Counties (AOC))

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Specifies that when two or more county commissioners are elected for one county at same election and one is elected to fill vacancy, commissioner filling vacancy shall hold office for two years. Applies this rule, which currently applies only to general elections, to primary elections.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to elections for county commissioners; amending ORS 204.010; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 204.010 is amended to read:

204.010. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the term of office of each officer mentioned in ORS 204.005 is four years.

(2) When two or more county commissioners are elected for one county at a **primary or** general election and one of them is elected to fill a vacancy, as provided in ORS 204.005 (1)(f), [*one of them*] **the commissioner elected to fill a vacancy** shall hold office for two years and the others **for** four years.

SECTION 2. **This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect on its passage.**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.