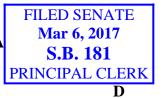
## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2017



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## SENATE BILL DRS25021-LU-29B\* (01/25)

Short Title:	Amend W-S Charter/Certain Candidates.	(Local)
Sponsors:	Senator Lowe (Primary Sponsor).	
Referred to:		

1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM TO
3	ESTABLISH A UNIFORM PROCESS FOR THE ELECTION OF INDEPENDENT OR
4	NONPARTISAN CANDIDATES IN MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.
5	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
6	SECTION 1. Paragraph 6 of Section 12A of the Charter of the City of
7	Winston-Salem, being Chapter 232 of the Private Laws of 1927, as amended by Chapter 13 of the
8	1965 Session Laws, and by Ordinance dated January 6, 2003, reads as rewritten:
9	"Sec. 12A. Generally.
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11	6. Independent or nonpartisan candidates; petition; affidavit of candidates; filing of petition;
12	rules and regulations governing petitions. The Forsyth County Board of Elections shall include
13	among the candidates for municipal office, as independent or nonpartisan candidates, the name of
14	any qualified voter who has been requested to be a candidate for office by written petitions signed
15	by at least twenty-five percent (25%) of those entitled to vote for a candidate for such office
16	according to the vote cast in the last municipal election for the particular office, when such
17	petition is accompanied by an affidavit from such proposed candidate that he seeks to become an
18	independent or nonpartisan candidate and does not affiliate with any political party; provided, such
19	petition is filed with the secretary of the board of elections on or before twelve o'clock Noon on
20	the third Friday preceding the general municipal election for such office.in accordance with the
21	uniform municipal election laws under Subchapter IX of Chapter 163 of the General Statutes.
22	The board of elections may prescribe rules and regulations covering the information that shall
23	be set out in the petition to be signed by the voters requesting a person to be a candidate for any
24	such office, such as the giving of the full name of every such voter, the street address of such voter
25	and any other pertinent information required to facilitate the checking of such petition against the
26	registration books.
27	"
28	<b>SECTION 2.</b> This act is effective when it becomes law.

