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HOUSE BILL 295

52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2015

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AN ACT

RELATING TO PETITIONS; REQUIRING NOMINATING PETITIONS AND OTHER
ELECTION-RELATED PETITIONS TO INCLUDE THE NAME, ADDRESS AND
SIGNATURE OF THE CIRCULATOR AND A DECLARATION BY THE
CIRCULATOR.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of the Election Code is enacted
to read:

"~~[NEW MATERIAL]~~ NOMINATING PETITIONS--OTHER ELECTION-
RELATED PETITIONS--CIRCULATOR REQUIREMENTS.--

A. Wherever any nominating petition or other
election-related petition is filed with the proper filing
officer, each page of the petition shall have a declaration
signed by the circulator of the petition setting forth, in the
circulator's own hand, the following:

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underscoring material = new
~~[bracketed material] = delete~~

1 (1) the printed name of the circulator; and

2 (2) the residence address of the circulator,
3 giving street and number, or if no street or number exists,
4 adequate designation of residence so that the location may be
5 readily ascertained.

6 B. Each petition shall also have a declaration that
7 shall set forth the following:

8 (1) that the circulator circulated that
9 petition; and

10 (2) that according to the best information and
11 belief of the circulator, each signature is the genuine
12 signature of the person whose name it purports to be.

13 C. The circulator shall certify the content of the
14 declaration as to its truth and correctness, under penalty of
15 perjury under the laws of the state, with the circulator's
16 signature and the date of signing.

17 D. The provisions of this section apply to all
18 state, county, municipal and special district elections for
19 which a petition is required to be submitted by candidates in
20 the election process or for which a petition is required to
21 call the election."