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SENATE BILL 449

54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019

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AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS; REQUIRING THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF
INCOME TAX RETURNS BY PRESIDENTIAL AND VICE PRESIDENTIAL
CANDIDATES IN ORDER FOR A PRESIDENTIAL TICKET TO APPEAR ON A
GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT.

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]~~ REQUIRING PRESIDENTIAL AND VICE
PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES TO DISCLOSE INCOME TAX RETURNS.--

A. At least seventy days prior to a general
election, a candidate for the office of president or vice
president of the United States shall:

(1) file with the secretary of state copies of
the candidate's federal income tax returns for the five most

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1 recent taxable years for which a return was filed with the
2 internal revenue service; and

3 (2) provide written consent to the secretary
4 of state on such form as shall be prescribed by the secretary
5 of state for the public disclosure of the income tax returns in
6 accordance with Subsection B of this section.

7 B. Income tax returns filed with the secretary of
8 state pursuant to Subsection A of this section shall be made
9 publicly available on the website of the secretary of state no
10 later than seven days after such income tax returns have been
11 filed. Social security numbers, employer identification
12 numbers, home addresses and phone numbers shall be redacted
13 from the income tax returns prior to the returns being made
14 publicly available.

15 C. If a candidate for the office of president or
16 vice president of the United States fails or refuses to comply
17 with Subsection A of this section, the candidate's presidential
18 ticket shall not be printed on the general election ballot."

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