

HB258 ENROLLED



1 HB258
2 9Y7EPBB-2
3 By Representative Carns
4 RFD: Constitution, Campaigns and Elections
5 First Read: 11-Feb-25



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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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3 Relating to elections; to amend Section 17-13-3, Code
4 of Alabama 1975, to change the primary election in
5 off-presidential years to the Tuesday in May preceding
6 Memorial Day.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

8 Section 1. Section 17-13-3, Code of Alabama 1975, is
9 amended to read as follows:

10 "§17-13-3

11 (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (b) and
12 (d), primary elections held at the expense of the state or
13 counties shall be held on the ~~fourth~~second Tuesday in May
14 preceding Memorial Day. When necessary, as provided in this
15 chapter, a second or runoff primary election shall be held on
16 the fourth Tuesday following the primary election. Any second
17 primary shall be held by the same election officers who held
18 the first primary election~~7~~ and be held at the same places as
19 the first primary election. No primary election shall be held
20 by any political party except as provided in this subsection.
21 Primary elections shall be held at the regular polling places
22 established for the purpose of holding general elections.

23 (b) In years in which a presidential primary is
24 conducted, the primary election shall be the first Tuesday in
25 March.

26 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in any
27 year in which the primary election is held in March and the
28 primary election is held in conjunction with the presidential



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29 preference primary election, as provided in this section and
30 Section 17-13-100, any reference in any existing statutes to a
31 primary election being held in June or May shall be construed
32 to refer to the primary election in March.

33 (d) Special primary elections, held at the expense of
34 the state or counties, shall be held following the issuance of
35 a proclamation by the Governor or as otherwise provided by
36 law. When necessary, as provided in this chapter, a second or
37 runoff special primary election shall be held on the fourth
38 Tuesday following the special primary election. Any second
39 special primary election shall be held by the same election
40 officers who held the first special primary election, and be
41 held at the same places as the first special primary election.
42 No special primary election shall be held by any political
43 party, except as provided in this subsection. Special primary
44 elections shall be held at the regular polling places
45 established for the purpose of holding general elections."

46 Section 2. This act shall become effective immediately.



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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and
was passed by the House 20-Mar-25, as amended.

John Treadwell
Clerk

Senate	_____ 24-Apr-25	Amended and Passed
House	_____ 24-Apr-25	Concurred in Senate Amendment