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SCR1023: general election day; all offices

Sponsor: Senator Mesnard, LD 13

Committee on Municipal Oversight & Elections

Overview

A ballot referral that mandates city, town and school district elections be held during a general election.

History

A *general election* is held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of every even-numbered year. A general election must be held for the election of Representatives in Congress, members of the Legislature, and state, county and precinct officers whose terms expire at the end of the year in which the election is being held or in the following year ([A.R.S. § 16-211](#) and ([Const. of Ariz. Art. VII, § 11](#)).

Nonpartisan elections and elections held by a school district, a city or a town that are not held concurrently with a general election must be called no later than 180 days before the election date. Nonpartisan elections apply to candidates for cities and towns, school districts and special districts ([A.R.S. §§ 16-226, 15-522, 9-821.01](#)).

All elections, except for regular elections, in a city of town with a population of 175,000 or more must be held on the following: 1) the second Tuesday in March; 2) the third Tuesday in May; 3) the tenth Tuesday before the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November; or the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

Regular elections, not including recall elections and special elections to fill vacancies, in a city or town with a population of 175,000 or more must be held on the following: 1) the tenth Tuesday before the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November; or 2) the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November ([A.R.S. § 16-204](#)).

Provisions

1. Requires a city, town and school district election to be held during a general election. (Sec. 1)
2. Directs the Secretary of State to submit the proposition to the voters at the next general election.
3. Becomes effective if approved by the voters and on proclamation of the Governor.

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