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100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR CRAWFORD.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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## AN ACT

To repeal section 115.621, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to senatorial district committees.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 115.621, RSMo, is repealed and one new section  
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 115.621, to read as follows:

115.621. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to the  
2 contrary, any legislative, senatorial, or judicial district committee that is wholly  
3 contained within a county or a city not within a county may choose to meet on the  
4 same day as the respective county or city committee. All other committees shall  
5 meet as otherwise prescribed in this section.

6 2. The members of each county committee shall meet at the county seat  
7 not earlier than two weeks after each primary election but in no event later than  
8 the third Saturday after each primary election, at the discretion of the chairman  
9 at the committee. In each city not within a county, the city committee shall meet  
10 on the same day at the city hall. In all counties of the first, second, and third  
11 classification, the county courthouse shall be made available for such meetings  
12 and any other county political party meeting at no charge to the party  
13 committees. In all cities not within a county, the city hall shall be made  
14 available for such meetings and any other city political party meeting at no  
15 charge to the party committees. At the meeting, each committee shall organize  
16 by electing two of its members, a man and a woman, as chair and vice chair, and  
17 a man and a woman who may or may not be members of the committee as  
18 secretary and treasurer.

19 3. The members of each congressional district committee shall meet at  
20 some place and time within the district, to be designated by the current chair of

21 the committee, not earlier than five weeks after each primary election but in no  
22 event later than the sixth Saturday after each primary election. The county  
23 courthouse in counties of the first, second and third classification in which the  
24 meeting is to take place, as designated by the chair, shall be made available for  
25 such meeting and any other congressional district political party committee  
26 meeting at no charge to the committee. At the meeting, the committee shall  
27 organize by electing one of its members as chair and one of its members as vice  
28 chair, one of whom shall be a woman and one of whom shall be a man, and a  
29 secretary and a treasurer, one of whom shall be a woman and one of whom shall  
30 be a man, who may or may not be members of the committee.

31 4. The members of each legislative district committee shall meet at some  
32 place and date within the legislative district or within one of the counties in  
33 which the legislative district exists, to be designated by the current chair of the  
34 committee, not earlier than three weeks after each primary election but in no  
35 event later than the fourth Saturday after each primary election. The county  
36 courthouse in counties of the first, second and third classification in which the  
37 meeting is to take place, as designated by the chair, shall be made available for  
38 such meeting and any other legislative district political party committee meeting  
39 at no charge to the committee. At the meeting, the committee shall organize by  
40 electing two of its members, a man and a woman, as chair and vice chair, and a  
41 man and a woman who may or may not be members of the committee as secretary  
42 and treasurer.

43 5. The members of each senatorial district committee shall meet at some  
44 place and date within the district, to be designated by the current chair of the  
45 committee, if there is one, and if not, by the chair of the congressional district in  
46 which the senatorial district is principally located, not earlier than four weeks  
47 after each primary election but in no event later than the fifth Saturday after  
48 each primary election. The county courthouse in counties of the first, second and  
49 third classification in which the meeting is to take place, as so designated  
50 pursuant to this subsection, shall be made available for such meeting and any  
51 other senatorial district political party committee meeting at no charge to the  
52 committee. At the meeting, the committee shall organize by electing one of its  
53 members as chair and one of its members as vice chair, one of whom shall be a  
54 woman and one of whom shall be a man, and a secretary and a treasurer, one of  
55 whom shall be a woman and one of whom shall be a man, who may or may not be  
56 members of the committee.

57           6. The members of each senatorial district shall also meet at some place  
58 within the district, to be designated by the current chair of the committee, if  
59 there is one, and if not, by the chair of the congressional district in which the  
60 senatorial district is principally located, on the Saturday after each general  
61 election **or concurrently with the election of senatorial officers, if**  
62 **designated by the chair of the congressional district where the**  
63 **senatorial district is principally located.** At the meeting, the committee  
64 shall proceed to elect two registered voters of the district, one man and one  
65 woman, as members of the party's state committee.

66           7. The members of each judicial district may meet at some place and date  
67 within the judicial district or within one of the counties in which the judicial  
68 district exists, to be designated by the current chair of the committee or the chair  
69 of the congressional district committee, not earlier than six weeks after each  
70 primary election but in no event later than the seventh Saturday after each  
71 primary election. The county courthouse in counties of the first, second and third  
72 classification in which the meeting is to take place, as so designated pursuant to  
73 this subsection, shall be made available for such meeting and any other judicial  
74 district political party committee meeting at no charge to the committee. At the  
75 meeting, the committee shall organize by electing two of its members, a man and  
76 a woman, as chair and vice chair, and a man and a woman who may or may not  
77 be members of the committee as secretary and treasurer.

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