

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 896

By: Loveless of the Senate
and
Murphey of the House

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6 [political parties - recognition - effective date]
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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

10 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 1-109, is
11 amended to read as follows:

12 Section 1-109. A. Any recognized political party whose nominee
13 for Governor or nominees for electors for President and Vice
14 President fail to receive at least ~~ten percent (10%)~~ two and one-
15 half percent (2.5%) of the total votes cast for said offices in any
16 General Election shall cease to be a recognized political party.
17 ~~Said~~ A party may regain recognition only by following the procedure
18 prescribed for formation of new political parties. The State
19 Election Board shall proclaim the fact of a party's failure to
20 receive a sufficient number of votes and shall order that ~~said~~ the
21 party cease to be recognized.

22 B. Any recognized political party that ceases to be recognized
23 under provisions of this section shall be designated as a political
24 organization. Such political organization designation shall

1 terminate four (4) years from the date that the political party
2 ceases to be recognized or when the political organization regains
3 recognition as a political party, whichever is earlier.

4 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective January 1, 2017.

5 Passed the Senate the 10th day of March, 2016.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

9 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,

10 2016.

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