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HOUSE BILL 1351 By Staples

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 13, relative to political parties.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 13, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

(a) If the chair of the state executive committee of a political party decertifies one (1) of its county political parties, then no members of the decertified county political party shall be allowed membership into any newly formed county political party to take the place of the decertified political party until two (2) years have passed from the time of decertification.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the chair of the state executive committee may offer membership into any newly formed county political party as described in subsection (a) to any member of the decertified county political party prior to the expiration of the two-year period described in subsection (a) for good cause shown. SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

it.