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**Representative Dobos**

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**A BILL**

To delay the deadline for a major political party 1  
to certify its presidential and vice 2  
presidential candidates to the Secretary of 3  
State for the 2024 general election. 4

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** (A) Notwithstanding any provision of the 5  
Revised Code to the contrary: 6

(1) A major political party shall certify to the Secretary 7  
of State in writing the names of its candidates for president 8  
and vice-president nominated by its national convention pursuant 9  
to section 3505.10 of the Revised Code not later than the sixty- 10  
fifth day before the 2024 general election. The political party 11  
may transmit the certification to the Secretary of State by any 12  
reasonably reliable method that, under the circumstances, will 13  
provide for the Secretary of State to receive it by the 14  
deadline, including by any of the following methods: 15

(a) Hand delivery; 16

(b) Certified, express, or ordinary mail delivery by the 17  
United States Postal Service; 18

(c) Commercial carrier service;	19
(d) Facsimile transmission;	20
(e) Electronic mail.	21
(2) The secretary of state shall certify the forms of the	22
official ballots to be used at the 2024 general election not	23
later than the sixtieth day before the day of that election.	24
(B) For purposes of this section, "major political party"	25
has the same meaning as in section 3501.01 of the Revised Code.	26