

As Introduced

**134th General Assembly
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H. B. No. 544

Representatives Sobecki, West

A BILL

To repeal Section 4 of S.B. 258 of the 134th 1
General Assembly to delay the 2022 primary 2
election to June 7 and to declare an emergency. 3

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

Section 1. (A) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of 4
the Revised Code, in the year 2022, the primary election shall 5
be held on June 7. No primary election shall be held on May 3, 6
2022. 7

(B) A declaration of candidacy, declaration of candidacy 8
and petition, nominating petition, or declaration of intent to 9
be a write-in candidate that is filed for the 2022 primary 10
election before the effective date of this section is not 11
invalid on the basis that it specifies May 3, 2022, as the date 12
of the primary election. 13

Section 2. That Section 4 of S.B. 258 of the 134th General 14
Assembly is hereby repealed. 15

Section 3. This act is hereby declared to be an emergency 16
measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 17
peace, health, and safety. The reason for such necessity is to 18
allow candidates and election officials sufficient time to 19

prepare for the 2022 primary election after redistricting is 20
complete. Therefore, this act shall go into immediate effect. 21