

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 59

BY RUSCHE

AN ACT

RELATING TO BALLOTS; PROVIDING A SHORT TITLE; AND AMENDING CHAPTER 9, TITLE 34, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 34-904B, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO THE PAYMENT OF CLOSED PRIMARY ELECTION EXPENSES.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. This act shall be known and may be cited as "The Private Election Taxpayer Compensation Act."

SECTION 2. That Chapter 9, Title 34, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and designated as Section 34-904B, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

34-904B. PAYMENT OF CLOSED PRIMARY ELECTION EXPENSES. If a political party does not allow the electors provided in section 34-904A(2) (a) and (b), Idaho Code, to vote in such party's primary election, then such political party shall cover the cost of all expenses associated with conducting such party's primary election. Expenses associated with conducting such political party's primary election shall include, but not be limited to, in its pro rata share:

(1) Costs of ballot preparation, distribution, printing and counting, including absentee ballots;

(2) Costs of printing poll books and costs of tally books, stamps, signs and any other voting supplies, publications and equipment;

(3) Wages or other compensation for election judges and clerks or any employees or officials performing duties associated with conducting primary elections;

(4) Costs of renting polling facilities;

(5) Costs of publishing and printing election notices; and

(6) Any other costs associated with conducting such political party's primary election.