

State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-EIGHTH SESSION

H. F. No. 3255

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Elections

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to elections; requiring candidates for federal office to agree to uphold
1.3 and assert rights and privileges provided in the Constitution of the United States
1.4 and the Constitution of the state of Minnesota; amending Minnesota Statutes
1.5 2012, section 204B.06, subdivision 4.

1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 204B.06, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

1.8 Subd. 4. **Federal offices.** (a) Candidates for president or vice president of the
1.9 United States are not required to file an affidavit of candidacy for office. Candidates
1.10 who seek nomination for the office of United States senator or representative shall state
1.11 the following information on the affidavit:

1.12 (1) for United States senator, that the candidate will be an inhabitant of this state
1.13 when elected and will be 30 years of age or older and a citizen of the United States for not
1.14 less than nine years on the next January 3 or, in the case of an election to fill a vacancy,
1.15 within 21 days after the special election; and

1.16 (2) for United States representative, that the candidate will be an inhabitant of this
1.17 state when elected and will be 25 years of age or older and a citizen of the United States
1.18 for not less than seven years on the next January 3 or, in the case of an election to fill a
1.19 vacancy, within 21 days after the special election.

1.20 (b) A candidate who seeks nomination for the office of United States senator or
1.21 representative shall also state on the affidavit that, if elected, the candidate agrees to
1.22 uphold and assert all rights and privileges granted to the people of the state of Minnesota,
1.23 as provided in the Constitution of the United States and as provided in the Constitution
1.24 of the state of Minnesota.