

## CHAPTER 204D

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#### 204D.04 BALLOT PREPARATION.

*[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1992]*

Subd. 2. **Instructions to printer; printer's bond.** The official charged with the preparation and distribution of the ballots shall prepare instructions to the printer for rotation of the names of candidates and for layout of the ballot. The instructions shall be approved by the legal advisor of the official before delivery to the printer. Before a contract exceeding \$1,000 is awarded for printing ballots, the printer shall furnish a sufficient bond, letter of credit, or certified check, acceptable to the official responsible for printing the ballots, conditioned on printing the ballots in conformity with the Minnesota election law and the instructions delivered. The official responsible for printing the ballots shall set the amount of the bond, letter of credit, or certified check in an amount equal to the value of the purchase.

**History:** 1993 c 223 s 15

#### 204D.11 STATE GENERAL ELECTION BALLOTS; CANDIDATES; OFFICIAL IN CHARGE; RULES; REIMBURSEMENT.

*[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1992]*

Subd. 2. **Pink ballots.** Amendments to the state constitution shall be placed on a ballot printed on pink paper which shall be known as the "pink ballot." The pink ballot shall be prepared by the county auditor, in the manner provided in the rules of the secretary of state.

Subd. 3. **Canary ballot.** All questions and the names of all candidates for offices to be voted on at the state general election which are not placed on the white ballot shall be placed on a single ballot printed on canary paper which shall be known as the "canary ballot." The canary ballot shall be prepared by the county auditor in the manner provided in the rules of the secretary of state.

*[For text of subds 4 and 5, see M.S.1992]*

Subd. 6. **Gray ballot.** When the canary ballot would be longer than 30 inches or when it would not be possible to place all offices on a single ballot card, the judicial offices that should be placed on the canary ballot may be placed instead on a separate gray ballot. The gray ballot shall be prepared by the county auditor in the manner provided in the rules of the secretary of state.

The gray ballot must be headed with the words: "Judicial Nonpartisan General Election Ballot." Separate ballot boxes must be provided for these gray ballots.

**History:** 1993 c 223 s 16-18

#### 204D.19 SPECIAL ELECTIONS; WHEN HELD.

*[For text of subds 1 to 4, see M.S.1992]*

Subd. 5. **Prohibition.** No special election shall be held under this section on the second Tuesday in December.

**History:** 1993 c 375 art 7 s 6

**204D.24 SPECIAL ELECTIONS; PRECINCTS; ELECTION JUDGES; VOTERS.**

*[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1992]*

**Subd. 2. Voter registration.** An individual may register to vote at a special primary or special election at any time before the day that the polling place rosters for the special primary or special election are prepared by the secretary of state. The secretary of state shall provide the county auditors with notice of this date at least seven days before the printing of the rosters. This subdivision does not apply to a special election held on the same day as the presidential primary, state primary, state general election, or the regularly scheduled primary or general election of a municipality, school district, or special district.

**History:** 1993 c 223 s 19

**204D.27 SPECIAL ELECTION RETURNS.**

*[For text of subds 1 to 10, see M.S.1992]*

**Subd. 11. Certificate of legislative election.** A certificate of election in a special election for state senator or state representative shall be issued by the county auditor or the secretary of state to the individual declared elected by the county or state canvassing board two days, excluding Sundays and legal holidays, after the appropriate canvassing board finishes canvassing the returns for the election.

In case of a contest the certificate shall not be issued until the district court determines the contest.

**History:** 1993 c 223 s 20