**204B.12 WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDATES.**

Subdivision 1. **Before primary.** A candidate may withdraw from the primary ballot by filing an affidavit of withdrawal with the same official who received the affidavit of candidacy. The affidavit shall request that official to withdraw the candidate's name from the ballot and shall be filed no later than two days after the last day for filing for the office.

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1983 c 303 s 24]

Subd. 2a. [Repealed, 2013 c 131 art 5 s 10]

Subd. 2b. **Governor's race.** If a candidate for governor withdraws, the secretary of state shall remove from the ballot the name of the candidate for governor and the name of that candidate's running mate for lieutenant governor.

Subd. 3. **Time for filing.** An affidavit of withdrawal filed under this section shall not be accepted later than 5:00 p.m. on the last day for withdrawal.

**History:** *1981 c 29 art 4 s 12; 1983 c 303 s 6; 1986 c 444; 1986 c 475 s 13; 1991 c 320 s 5-7; 2000 c 467 s 12*